ONE SCHOOL, ONE BOOK

Creating a culture for reading is an endeavour that never ends at Brentwood School. One of the best ways to engage students with books is by making reading a social experience. The **One Book, One School** initiative is a great avenue to do just that! On January 11th, Brentwood School will once again be embarking on this special initiative that aims to foster the love of reading and strengthen our home-school connection. As a school community, we will be enjoying the book **The Wishing Spell** by Chris Colfer.

As part of the One School, One Book initiative, families will receive a copy of the book as well as a shared reading schedule. Generally, the goal is for families to read together from the book for about 15 minutes each evening. To promote the reading experience, each morning students will be invited to answer trivia questions shared over the morning announcements. Not only is this an opportunity for students to win a prize, but students typically take pride in knowing and anticipating the details of the story. Additionally, it promotes many discussions about the book. You will want to make sure your family keeps up so that your child can be included.

The One School, One Book initiative is unique in that children of all grade levels listen to the same book. Strange or daring as it may seem, it actually makes sound educational sense. Reading professionals recommend reading material out loud that is beyond a child's own reading level. Additionally, there are benefits to reading chapter books

together with older children, even if they are able to read the books by

themselves. A great deal of time and effort went into selecting a book that can be followed, understood and, of course, enjoyed by the entire Brentwood School community.

We hope you are as excited about this initiative as we are. This a great way to build a community of readers!

THE BOOKS DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES WERE PURCHASED THANKS TO A GENEROUS DONATION FROM THE BRENTWOOD SCHOOL COUNCIL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



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