

Newville Elementary One Book One School 2019



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Today our school held an assembly to roll out a special project called *One Book, One School.* Every family will receive a copy of the same book – **E.B. White's** *Charlotte's Web* – and will be asked to read it at home over the next several months. We selected a book that can be followed and understood by younger students but will also captivate and provide many life lessons for our older students too.

Reading aloud at home is so valuable at any age because it better prepares your child to be a successful reader and it is also a fun, worthwhile family activity. With **One Book, One School**, we aim to build a community of readers at our school. **EVERYONE** – students, parents, teachers and even Mr. Wonders – will be following along together.

The **reading schedule calendar** for **October's** readings is on the back of this letter. We are trying to read 2 chapters a week, and your students can include these minutes as part of the monthly reading logs. Each month you will receive the new monthly schedule of chapters as we plan to wrap up December 19th!

In school, your child will be invited to answer trivia questions to encourage and reward attentive listening and reading. In class, students will explore the book through activities and discussion. We will also have many surprises over of the next several months.

Please also check out our *One Book, One School* tab on the *Newville Elementary District Website* <u>https://www.bigspringsd.org/Domain/10</u>. There you will find continually updated activities, games and even chapters being read by some teachers at Newville Elementary.

I know you will enjoy this special time reading with your children. Together, we will talk about Fern and Wilbur and the lessons we learn from the wise spider, Charlotte. When a whole school reads a book, there's a lot to talk about. With your help, we can build a community of readers at our school!

Thank you to our amazing PTO for helping to provide a book to each family!

We thank you for your time and commitment to this exciting project! Happy Reading!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Housel Newville Elementary Instructional Coach