

September 9, 2022

Dear BES Families,

We are proud to announce that BES is a recipient of the Children's Literacy Foundation's Year of the Book grant. This grant entitles us to \$25,000 in free books, author visits, a writing residence, as well as other special opportunities related to literacy. Each BES student will receive ten brand new books over the course of the school year. We are working on some exciting projects that you will hear about over the course of the year!

Attached you will find a CLiF Read to Me contract. If at least 80% of our families sign and return this contract and spend time reading with their child, we will be able to participate in an additional special activity related to literacy. Please return this signed contract by Friday, September 16. Our kickoff event will be taking place on Monday, September 19, so be prepared for additional details and some excitement about books that can be read together at home!

Happy reading!

Sara Cascadden and Sue Greenlaw