



Long Beach Island Consolidated School District

Riding the Waves of Excellence

Dear LBI School Families,

We are so excited to share the titles for our *One School, Two Books* reading initiative. Students in grades PreK-2 will be reading *Humphrey's Playful Puppy Problems*, and students in grades 3-6 will be reading *The World According to Humphrey*. Both books, written by Betty G. Birney, feature the same beloved characters. Today, your child will bring home a copy of the book along with a Family Fun Pack. The event will officially begin tomorrow and will conclude on Monday, April 27th. Generally, you will be asked to read for about 15-20 minutes each night, Monday through Thursday. We encourage you to make sure your family keeps up-to-date with the reading schedule so that your child can be included in our school activities.

In school, your child will be invited to answer trivia questions and participate in activities designed to encourage engagement and attentive listening. You will soon find that your child will take pride in knowing and anticipating the details of the story. One activity we are asking students to participate in is taking a photo of them reading to or taking care of a pet or stuffed animal. These photos can be sent in or emailed to kfreeman@lbischools.org.

Through this program, our goal is to build a Community of Readers, with students, families, and school staff all sharing in the same experience. This year's book highlights themes of kindness, friendship, and responsibility. We look forward to talking with you and your child about the book and celebrating the connections it brings.

To find Family Resources about reading aloud, visit www.readtothem.org/family-resources/.

In partnership,

Mrs. Ivancich and Mrs. Freeman