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Dear Families,

I'm thrilled to announce we're working with the national literacy non-profit organization **Book Trust** in our classroom this year! Research shows that when kids choose their own reading material and have access to book ownership, they read more often and become confident readers and learners. The culture of literacy we're building in our classroom also translates to home, as kids are able to bring those books home to share and create their very own libraries.

### Here's how it works:

Each month, your child and every student in our classroom will have the opportunity to select one to three books (up to \$7.00) of their choosing from Scholastic Book Club Flyers with support from teachers. Every student participates in the program to discover the joy and power of reading **at absolutely no cost to you!**

Once books are ordered, we anxiously await the Scholastic book box's arrival in the classroom and celebrate! Then we dig into our new books by reading them in class. Students explore what their classmates ordered, and then we send the books home for families to explore the joy and power of reading together. There are lots of ways to help your child grow as a reader:

- Twenty minutes of reading per day (either to family members or even the family pet!);
- Ask questions about what your child is reading;
- Using the Book Trust resources page at [booktrust.org](http://booktrust.org) for more tips on engaging your child in reading.

**We are proud to partner with Book Trust to bring this literacy experience into your home.** Starting this month, please set aside time each night to enjoy your child's new Book Trust books, and all the memories you'll create as you read together. Periodically, we'll share tips to help make this time as meaningful and impactful as possible.

Remember, your child's Book Trust books are theirs to bring home and keep.

For more information about the Book Trust Program please visit [www.booktrust.org](http://www.booktrust.org)

Happy reading!

DISCOVER THE **JOY**  
AND **POWER** OF READING.