

Bellevue Regional Library and Puesta del Sol Elementary present
Global Reading Challenge
For 4th and 5th grade students

October 2015

Dear Parents,

It is my pleasure to invite your student to participate in the **Global Reading Challenge**, a special reading program for 4th and 5th grade students, sponsored by the King County Library System.

The Global Reading Challenge students who participate in the program will read 1 of the 6 fiction and/or nonfiction books that have been selected by children's librarians from the King County Library. The specific books represent a wide variety of interests and reading levels. Students will be reading for pleasure, for information, details, and to gain exposure to a variety of authors and subjects in order to challenge other teams in a quiz bowl format.

Puesta del Sol will be participating along with many other Bellevue Elementary Schools. Our participating teams will be made up of 6 students each. I will be looking for students with different reading abilities, and students, with help from their teachers, will be chosen from each of the 4th and 5th grade classes. We will also have a back-up group who will read the Challenge books, help the teams practice and be ready to come onto a team if needed.

It is already evident to me that many students in our school want to participate in this exciting event. We would like to have willing parents to help work with teams every Wednesday during lunch and recess from November through February.

Here is the Reading Challenge Schedule:

- October - Challenge books delivered by King County Library representative
- Late October - Teams will be formed and students will select one of the 6 books to read
- November to February - Read books and practice with the team every Wednesday at lunch recess
- February - First in-school Reading Challenge between our teams
- February or March - Our winning team challenges other Bellevue Elementary Schools
- **All meetings and Challenges will be held during the school day**

PLEASE RETURN TO THE LIBRARY no later than October 22nd!

I give my permission for (student name) _____ ,

(Teacher) _____ , **if selected to be on a team**, to participate in Global Reading Challenge

*students who were on teams last year will not be able to participate again this year, but may sign up to be a Reading Trainer.

(adult signature/e-mail) _____ .

Yes, I would like to help the teams with:

- Work with teams every Wednesday lunch and recess, November through February
- Read the books and making up quiz questions

Thank you for supporting your child and his/her team in their first Global Reading Challenge!

Stacey Brody, Library Media Specialist

Making sure that all students are effective users of ideas and information.