

St. Cecilia Birthday Book Club 2016-2017

The goal of the St. Cecilia Birthday Book Club is to add good quality literature to our school library as well as to replace some well-read favorites. It is designed to involve the children in a special way by having them donate a newly purchased hardcover book to the library in honor of their birthday, a friend's birthday, a family member's birthday, or another occasion as described below.

This is how the Birthday Book Club works:

- Books have been pre-purchased and are available for you to purchase and donate to the school library. They are high quality literature that has been specifically chosen to supplement our library.
- There are two categories on the Birthday Book Club form. One side is for the student's birthday. There is also a Special Donation Category for anyone who wishes to donate a book in honor of a family member or friend's (past, present, or upcoming) birthday, anniversary, memorial, Christmas, or any special occasion. You will receive a special certificate to award the honoree and a special inscription will be placed on a book plate in the book.
- Each month a list of books available for purchase will be in the school newsletter. If you wish to donate one of these books, just fill out the Donor Form and send it back to school in an envelope marked Birthday Book Club with a check for \$18 per book (made payable to St. Cecilia School). **NO CASH PLEASE.**
- Parents may also choose to purchase a new **hardcover** book that the child has chosen from a bookstore and donate that book to the library. (Paperback or cardboard covered books are not suitable for the library). Send the book to the office with the name, grade, birthday, or special occasion, grade and classroom of the student who is donating the book. Students can donate a book at any time during the school year.
- A photo of the birthday child will be taken at school and placed on the wall in the hallway on the first floor.
- A bookplate will be placed in the book with the child's name and date. The new book will be added to the library.
- Mrs. Connelly will thank the student and award them a special certificate.
- Each class that donates 20 books will be awarded a *free dress pass*. Each class that donates 25 books will also be awarded an *ice cream party*. **MAY 2nd DEADLINE** for donated books to qualify for the ice cream party.

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