

WHITON SCHOOL

One School - One Book - Incoming 1st - 3rd Graders

As unbelievable as it seems, the 2013-2014 school year is drawing to a close. I have had a wonderful time watching your children grow and learn and am always impressed by their kindness and consideration.

This summer, we are trying something a little bit different with our summer reading program, in that we are asking all students (and their families!) to read the same book. This book will also be read by all of the teachers and staff at Whiton! The book we have chosen to read is *Enemy Pie* by Derek Munson. I won't spoil the excitement by telling you about the story, but I will tell you that it is one of my favorite books!

There are several ways that you can obtain a copy of this book to read. They include:

1. Participate in the Branchburg Education Foundation's Book Fair at Barnes and Noble at the Somerville Circle on June 9th. Whiton staff will be reading and sharing their favorite books between 5:30 and 6:30. *Enemy Pie* will be available for purchase, with a percentage of the price supporting the Branchburg Education Foundation.
2. If you are not able to attend the Book Fair in person, please visit bn.com to purchase your copy and support the Branchburg Education Foundation. Books purchased between 6/9/2014 to 6/14/2014 will be credited to the BEF when you enter the Book Fair ID of 11368552 at checkout.
3. We will have multiple copies available for families to check out from the Whiton Elementary School office. Families will need to stop in to the office to get a copy of the book, and return it to the office the following week.
4. The story is available on-line at <http://www.storylineonline.net/enemy-pie/>. If you are not familiar with this website, be sure to take a minute to check it out - there are many wonderful books being read by actors and actresses.

We will be sending out, via e-mail, activities based on the book for your child to complete over the summer. These will be used for "Back-to-School" fun when we return and the students are getting to know one another.