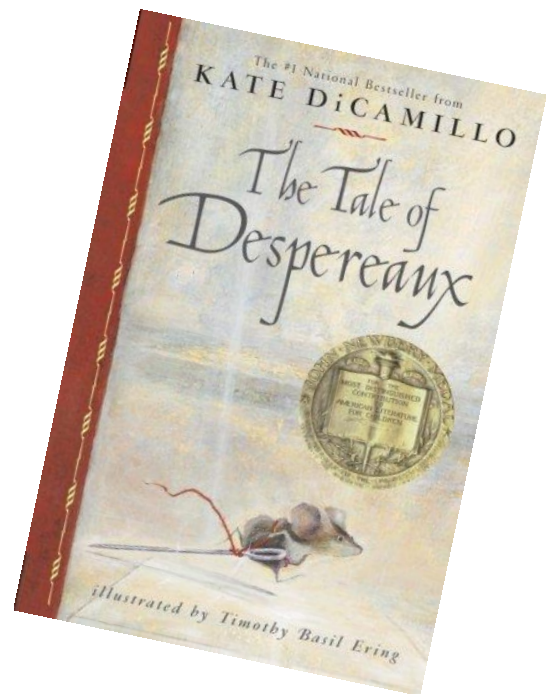
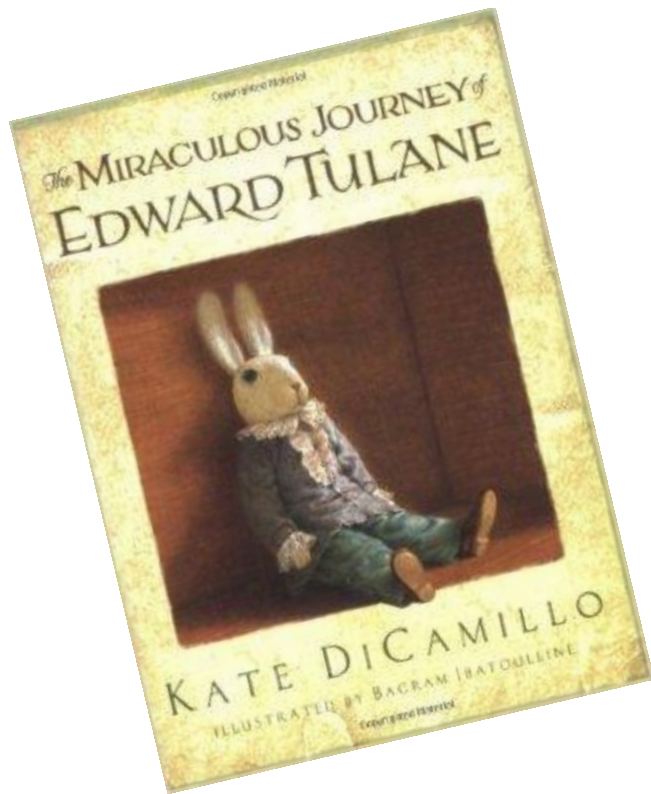


Dear Incoming Fourth Graders,

I am excited about the 2016 school year! Your summer reading assignment includes reading *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate di Camillo and completing a capture sheet. If you have difficulty finding a copy of this book you can complete the same capture sheet by reading *The Tale of Despereaux*, by the same author. Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mansueti



Summer Reading Capture Sheet

Name:

Complete each of the following text boxes based upon the book you read this summer. We will be sharing ideas during the first week of school to form literature circles and to build ideas regarding character traits, author's message, and theme.

Title:

Author:

List the characters that you feel are most significant:

Describe one scene from the story that represents a character demonstrating loyalty or friendship to another character. Explain how the character's actions support the trait of friendship or loyalty.

What do you think is the author's overall message is?

Which character are the most helpful? Which characters cause obstacles to others? Give examples for each.

Illustrate your favorite or your least favorite scene from the story. Include a brief description that explains what the scene shows and why you chose to illustrate that scene. (Use colored pencils for the drawing).