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Book of the Month

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Dear Student, Teachers & Parents:

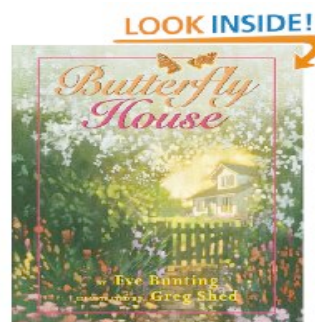
I chose the book, "The Butterfly House" by Eve Bunting as our May Book of the Month, in hopes that it inspires all of you to enjoy the beauty of the outdoors. The love and warmth that the book radiates through its story and illustrations focus in on one of my favorite Spring subjects ... the butterfly!

This beautiful story reminds me of the beautiful writing that I see happening in each of your classrooms. It is a memoir of a young girl and her grandfather and their precious time spent together. With the help of her grandfather, a little girl makes a house for a larva and watches it develop before setting it free. When the girl grows old, the butterflies come back to return her kindness. It is also a "how-to" book that teaches the readers how to raise a butterfly.

Enjoy this book as well as the warmth of Spring and its beauty!

With love,

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But when Katie Sue, a teeny girl too new to know she should be scared of Mean Jean, arrives at school, things change. Katie Sue kicks and swings and bounces before Mean Jean. When Mean Jean yells, Katie Sue talks back. And, as the schoolyard watches with bated breath, Katie Sue asks Mean Jean to play with her, something no one had ever dared to do before.

For the first time in her schoolyard career, Mean Jean, the Recess Queen, stops yelling and bossing and pushing and bullying, and just plays. She jumps and laughs and skips. She doesn't push or smooch or hammer or slammer. She's having too much fun with her new friend.

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