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Dear Mr. Lund,

Please let Robyn Hill and the Rotarians know how much we appreciate the donation of the book THE MIRACULOUS JOURNEY OF EDWARD TULANE by award-winning author Kate DiCamillo to our third grade classes. We just finished reading it together and oh, what an amazing and remarkable experience it was! My students can probably say it better than I can:

"I loved this book because it went in a circle." -Jordi

"I thought this book was both happy and sad. When Sara Ruth died, it was really sad. And when Edward's head got cracked, I thought he was going to die. But Bryce was looking out for him and took him to be fixed." -Mikayla

"The book was about a little girl who had a china rabbit named Edward Tulane. She lost it when she was sailing on a boat. Edward went on so many adventure over the years." -Yordi

"I thought it was a good book because there was a lot of love in this story. I would recommend this book to other kids in Carlsbad." --Esmeralda

"We learned to feel and love and get through things." -Rigo

"Thank you so much for donating the book to our class. It showed both happiness and sadness. So many things happened in the story!" --Juliana

"This book had a lot of action in it. It was sad but it had a good ending." -Josiah

"When Edward got thrown in the water, I knew this was going to be a great story!" -Harper

"Edward had a lot of journeys and he met a lot of people, but he didn't know how to love anyone at first. But he really learned!" -Ana

Again, thank you so much. This story was an excellent example of the transformative power of good literature and your generosity is so greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Shelley Thomas and the 3rd grade team