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To: HAAS Parents and Students
From: Ms. Litefti, Reading Specialist
CC: Ms. Fulton, Principal
Mr. Weisbrot, Dean
Date: June 4, 2010
Re: ***Mandatory Summer Reading***

Each year, new and returning HAAS students are required to read selected novels and complete specific grade level assignments. Studies show that most students experience a loss of reading skills over the summer months, but children who continue to read actually gain skills. Over the summer, parents can assist their children in sustaining and bolstering their reading skills, strengthening their vocabulary, and reinforcing the benefits of reading for enjoyment.

Attached you will find the ***Required Summer Reading List*** for your child's *next grade level* for the upcoming school year, and below are the directions for completing the ***Required Assignments***. **(For example: if your child is in the 2nd Grade now, you will choose a book from the 3rd Grade Reading List.)**

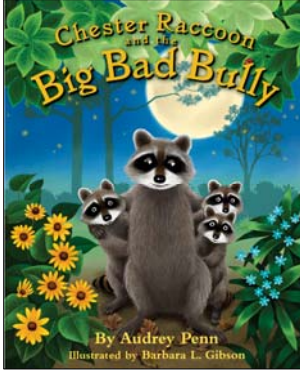
The ***Required Summer Reading List*** and the ***Required Assignments*** will also be posted on the HAAS website (www.hollywoodcharter.org) on the **School Information Page** for your convenience.

Directions for Required Summer Reading Assignments

Students will be required to read the 2 books listed for their upcoming grade level. The third book is optional and will earn extra credit. These books may be read independently, read together, or may be read aloud to your child.

After reading the book, students must complete the Required Assignment in order to receive full credit. The completed work will be incorporated into the student's grade during the first weeks of school. ***Failure to complete these assignments will result in the student receiving zeros.***

Mandatory Summer Reading List 2010 – Entering 1st Grade



Chester Raccoon and the Big Bad Bully by Audrey Penn

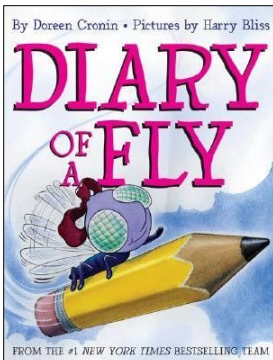
Chester faces challenges universally familiar. Wisdom, assurances and tenderness support Chester as he navigates change, bullies, separation...growing up. Unanimously acclaimed!



The Runaway Dinner by Allan Ahlberg

Banjo Cannon is a boy hungry for his dinner, but his dinner does not want to be eaten and runs out the door! Can Banjo catch the table, chairs, fork and spoon, carrots, peas, and a sausage named Melvin?

Additional/Optional grade level book



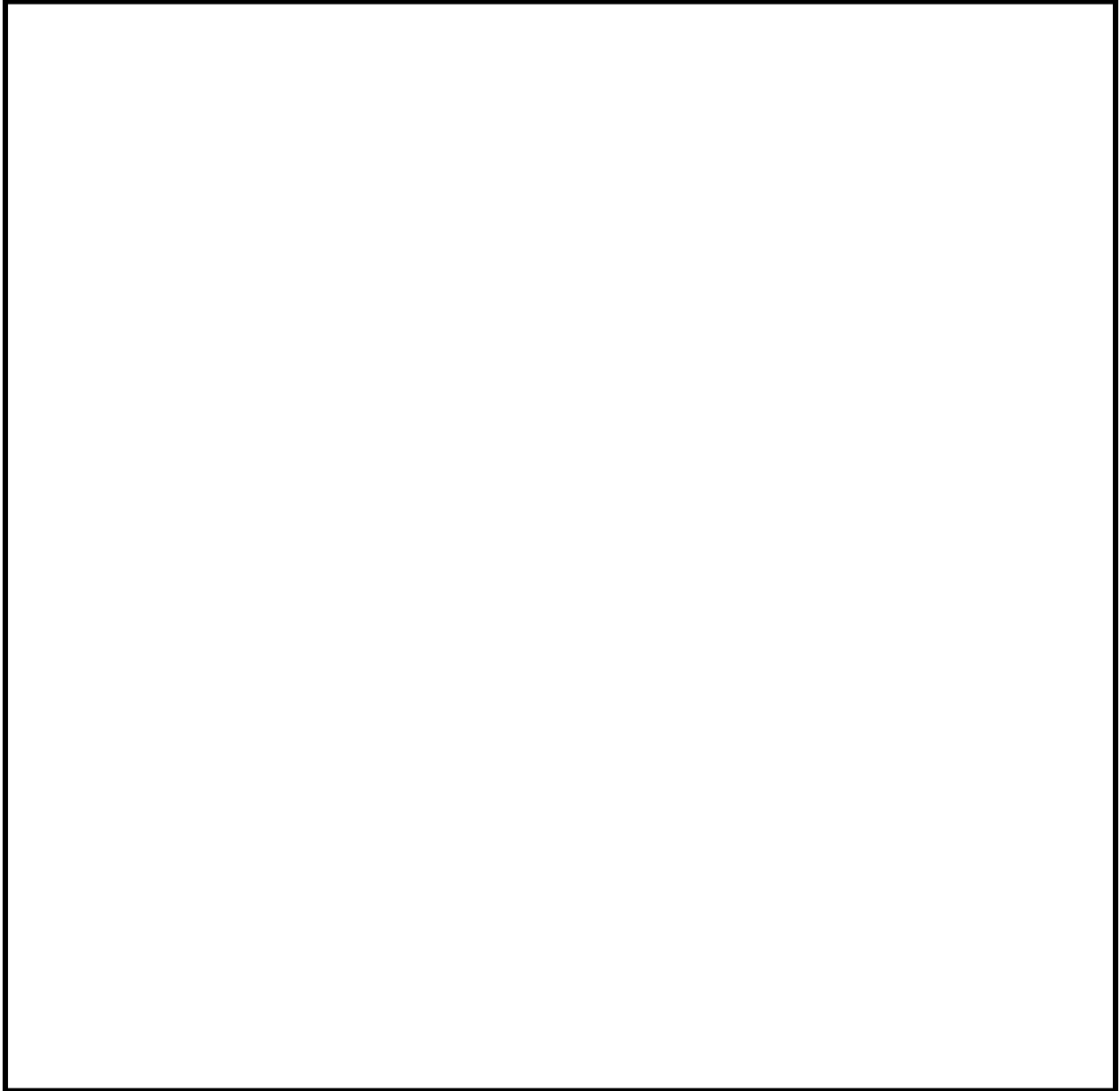
Diary of a Fly by Doreen Cronin, Harry Bliss

This is the diary...of a fly. A fly who, when she's not landing on your head or swimming in your soup, is trying to escape her 327 brothers and sisters who are driving her crazy! Even though she's little — just like her best friends Worm and Spider — Fly wants to be a superhero. And why not? She walks on walls, sees in all directions at once, and can already fly!

Name of Book

Author

Draw a picture of the main character



Your Name

Basic Information About the Book

Names of the Main Characters:

Where does the story take place? (Setting)

When does the story take place? Over the course of the Day? A month? A year? How do you know?

