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Summer Reading
* The first week of 2012 Summer Reading is already over! Can you believe it? Since we opened registration on May 15, we have had 521 kids sign up for the programs and 569 online reviews posted. (Remember, you can look at other kids' public reviews on your Summer Reading homepage for recommendations!) Lots of reading credit and tokens have been handed out and redeemed.
* Our charity this year is the Moraine Township Food Pantry. Kids have donated $12.00 worth of tokens so far. After donating tokens (or teen credit) donors can decorate a paper can for our donor's food pantry. Some interesting food items in our paper pantry are: chocolate yummy, chicken (bok bok bok), and somebody yelling "Bananas!" at another person. You can bring in non-perishable food items to donate as well.
* Thanks to a group of voracious baby Summer Readers, the Very Hungry Caterpillar in the Inger Boye Room already has 5 segments, which means that they have shared 75 books, songs or fingerplays.

Summer Reader of the Week
Each week during Summer Reading the Youth Department runs a random drawing from summer reader participants who have written at least 3 online book reviews. This year, we're featuring two readers - one from the ages 3-5 program and one from the K-5 program!

Congratulations to 3 year-old Daniel S., who enjoyed Superhero School by Aaron Reynolds, The Amazing Adventures of Bumblebee Boy by David Soman, and Hugo and Miles in I've Painted Everything by Scott Magoon this week!

Congratulations to kindergartner John D., who enjoyed The Daddy Mountain by Jules Feiffer, Creaky Old House: a Topsy-Turvy Tale of a Real Fixer-Upper by Linda Ashman, and Found You, Little Wombat by Angela McAllister this week!

As winners, Daniel and John's names, and the books they enjoyed this week will be displayed on our Electronic Bulletin Board for the summer. Check back here next Monday or look up on our electronic bulletin board when you come in to see reads from future Summer Reader of the Week winners!

Events at the Library This Week
* Outdoor drop-in chess began this past Saturday & was a blast! Come again this Saturday, the 16th! We've got a few pictures up on our Facebook page, too!

* The first session of Stories Under the Stars begins tonight at 7:30pm in the Rose Garden. Stories will be told by Anne Shimojima.
* Wednesday afternoon, we gerbils are terrified to remind you, is the Raptors 101 event where LARGE CARNIVORNOUS GERBIL-EATING BIRDS ARE COMING TO THE LIBRARY. Our librarians assure us that we will be safe but WE DO NOT BELIEVE THEM. If you come to the program we will be much more reassured of our safety. (Not because the raptors might eat you instead. No. Not at all because of that possibility.)

Around the Web

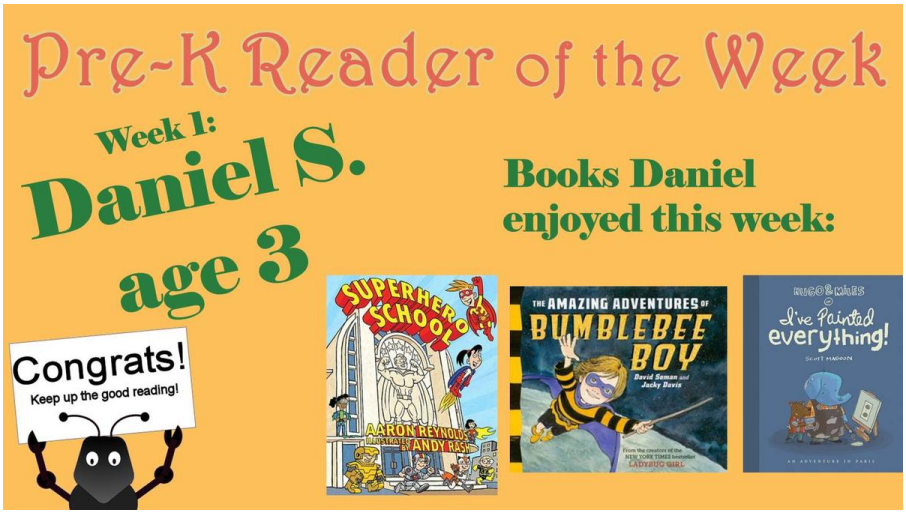
Books & Book News
* The Boston Horn Globe Book Awards have been awarded!
* An amusing mishap with Nooks, Kindles, and War & Peace: a Nook copy of Tolstoy's novel had all the instances of the word "kindle" replaced with the word "nook."
* June is Audiobook Month! What are you listening to?
* Walter Dean Myers, popular children's and young adult author, has vowed to work to close the reading gap.
* A signed first edition of *Where the Wild Things Are* just sold for $25,000. Wowza.
* Can't wait until November for Ally Condie's *Reached*? YALSA's blog has a list of read-alikes.
* AudiobookSync.com has a whole schedule of free YA titles available for download this summer.
* How to read while walking: a book lover's guide.
* Neil Gaiman's favorite Newbery is *A Wrinkle in Time*. What's yours?
* A comic excerpt fron Neil Gaiman's commencement speech: make good art.
* More hype for the new *WondLa* book!
* An outdoor library in Ghent, Belgium. Hope it doesn't rain!
* Suggested books to read this summer from some favorite YA authors.

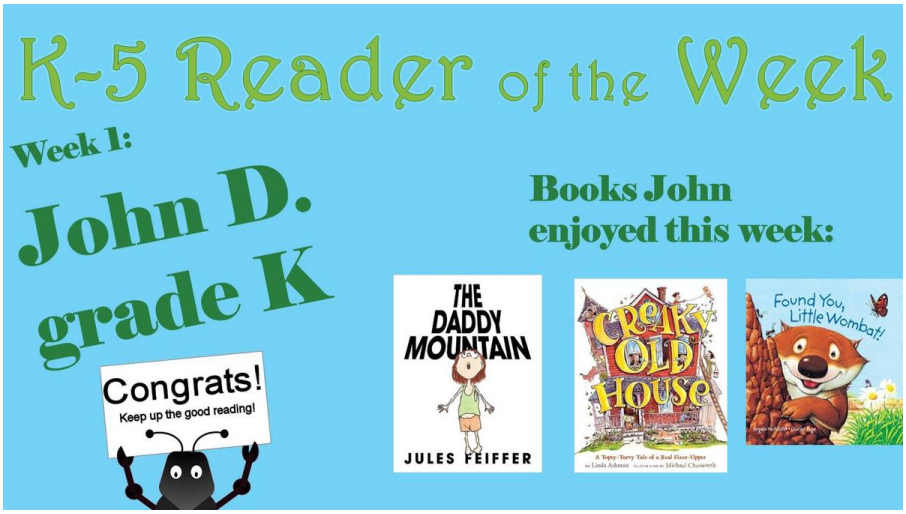
Movies & Stuff
* YA novel *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* trailer has been released with Emma Watson (better known as Hermione Granger) as one of the stars. What do you think?
* More rumors about casting for *Catching Fire*'s Finnick Odair.

Apps & Tech
* YALSA now has a book-finding app!

Other Cool Stuff
* Photos from the transit of Venus this past Tuesday.
* How much is a librarian worth?

HP and Local News
* Why we should save the Stupey Cabin. (The event last week raised over $3,000.)





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