





In September, you will be joining us at Hoe Valley School and we are very excited to meet you! This booklet has been designed to help the English department get to know you.

#### Over the summer holidays:

- ☐ Colour in the designs featured in this booklet to personalise it!
- ☐ Complete as many writing tasks as you can from this booklet
- ☐ Complete the Hoe Valley School reading challenge bring it in on your first day in September and your English teacher can allocate you house points.





### All About You -

Name -

Primary School -

Favourite Subject -

Favourite Activity -

Best thing you did over the summer holidays -





## **Your Favourite Book**

Name of your favourite book - One sentence explaining why -

Write a summary or draw an image of your favourite scene here -





Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why? Explain here -

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# **Comics and Magazines**

What is your favourite comic and magazine?				
How often do you read it?	_			
Why do you like this publication?				
Draw an image of a comic or magazine that you would like to create -	_			
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## **Your Favourite Film**

Name of your favourite film -One sentence explaining why -

Write a review for or draw a scene from your favourite film here -



## **Meeting a fictional character**

Imagine you could meet a fictional character - it can be either a hero or a villain.

Who would you choose to meet?			
Which story does the character appear in?			
Why have you chosen to meet this character?			
Write down three questions you would ask them:			



### The ULTIMATE reading challenge

Bronze: Complete one column/row on the grid <u>or</u> read 6 books from different categories. Silver: Complete three columns/rows on the grid <u>or</u> read 16 books from different categories. Gold: Complete the entire grid.

Fantasy/ Science fiction	Autobiography/ biography	Action/ adventure	Comedy	Mystery/ Horror
A book published this year	A book written in the 19th century	A book set in the past	A book set in the future	A book written in the 20th century
A book set in the UK	A book set in Europe	A book set in Surrey or London	A book set in Asia/Africa	A book set in America
An author whose surname starts with the same letter as yours	A book by your favourite author	An author that you have never tried before	An author from a different culture	An author who is under 30.
A book which has been recommended by a friend	A book which has been recommended by a family member	Re-read your favourite book	A Carnegie nominee/ winner	A book from the BBC 100 books to read in your lifetime list



### Use the Nando's peri-ometer to help you pick how 'spicy' your book will be!

Author:	Suggested books:			
Jeff Kinney	The Diary of the Wimpy Kid books	HC		
Roald Dahl	The BFG Matilda Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	HC Medi		
David Walliams	The Boy in the Dress Billionaire Boy Gangsta Granny	(d)		
David Almond	Skellig My name is Mina			
Michael Morpurgo	War Horse The Butterfly Lion Kensuke's Kingdom			
Frank Cottrell Boyce	Millions Cosmic Framed			
Anne Fine	Flour Babies Bill's New Frock			
Michael Grant	Gone series			
Phillip Pullman	His Dark Materials series Sally Lockhart Mysteries			
J.K. Rowling	Harry Potter series			
Anthony Horowitz	Alex Rider series Young James Bond series Diamond Brothers series			
Anne Frank	The Diary of Anne Frank			
J.R.R Tolkien	The Hobbit The Lord of the Rings			
Frances Hodgson Burnett	The Secret Garden A Little Princess			
Mary Norton	The Borrowers			
Ted Hughes	The Iron Man			



#### Reading log

Date:	Title & Author:	Category:	Pages read:	Comments/ summary:

Don't forget to bring this with you on your first day with us in September! See you soon.

