



**SUMMER READING
6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADE STUDENTS
COTTAGE HILL CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
2011 - 2012**

Dear Parents and Students,

I am very happy to inform you that you will only have to read two books for your required reading over the summer. The first book is a classic: Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain. The second book is by an author from Orange Beach: The Heart Mender, by Andy Andrews. Take notes as you are reading, or highlight important places in your books. This will make writing your books reports much easier. Then, download the book report form at the end of this announcement for each book. Write a separate report for each book.

Be prepared to turn in your book reports the second week of our new school year, and bring both books to class with you.

You have different options for purchasing your books. Many people order books on-line from book suppliers, such as Amazon.com; however, Books a Million will be notified of the need to stock up on these two books.

Have a wonderful summer and HAPPY READING!

**Mrs. Karen Thomas
Mrs. Jennifer Newton**

5. What qualities or character traits about the main character stand out the most to you?
6. Where and when does the story take place?

PLOT: The events that occur in a story make up the plot. The plots of most stories have at least four parts. Identify each of the parts in the book you read this summer.

1. **Conflict:** In this part, complications or problems of some sort are revealed. This is called the conflict. Describe the conflict of the story.
2. **Introduction:** Describe how the beginning of the story is established.
3. **Climax:** This part is the highest, most suspenseful or most exciting part of the story. It makes the reader wonder what will happen next. Describe the climax of the story.
4. **Resolution:** The problem is solved, or the conflict is resolved and the story comes to a conclusion. Describe the resolution of the story.

I verify that my student, _____, completed the reading of both books. _____ (Parents Signature)