

Sample letter to parents

Dear Parents,

Award-winning children's author Laura Resau will be visiting our school on _____ . Her book *What the Moon Saw* is about a fourteen-year-old girl's trip to a remote village in Oaxaca, Mexico to visit the grandparents she's never met before. Now a bilingual ESL teacher in Fort Collins, Colorado, Laura spent over two years in the Mixtec region of Oaxaca as an English professor and anthropologist. She will donate a portion of her royalties from this book to indigenous rights organizations in Latin America. Her website is www.lauraresau.com.

What the Moon Saw (ages 10 and up) has received rave reviews and honors:

* "A deeply felt, lyrical debut... a powerful, magical story... a rare glimpse into an indigenous culture."

– *ALA Booklist*, STARRED REVIEW

* "Beautifully written... filled with evocative language... add a thrilling adventure and all the makings of an entrancing read are here."

– *Kirkus Reviews*, STARRED REVIEW

* "A distinguished novel... an exquisitely crafted narrative... mystical and dreamlike, yet energetic."

– *School Library Journal*, STARRED REVIEW

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A PARENTS' CHOICE RECOMMENDED BOOK AWARD
A SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL BOOK PICK OF THE WEEK
A BOOKLIST TOP TEN FIRST NOVELS FOR YOUTH 2006
A NOTABLE SOCIAL STUDIES TRADE BOOK 2007
A NEW YORK BOOK FOR THE TEEN AGE 2006

Laura will be happy to sign books as part of the event. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to own an autographed, hard-cover book by an author they've met. If you would like to order a book, please fill out the form below and include cash or a check for \$ _____ per book made out to _____ . Please return the form and money to _____ by this date: _____ .

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What the Moon Saw by Laura Resau— BOOK ORDER FORM

Student's name: _____

Parent's phone number: _____

of books: _____

Total amount enclosed: _____