

Dear Parents and caregivers.

World Book Day takes place on <u>Thursday 3rd March</u> and we hope you'll join us as we come together to encourage every child in school to be a reader and love books.

To celebrate World Book Day, we will have plenty of fun activities taking place throughout the day including:

Book Swap: if you have any good quality books that you no longer want, please send them into school during the first week back after the half-term holidays. Children are then invited to come into the school hall (with their grown-up) after school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March to swap a book. Remember to keep one book that you want to swap and bring it to school on Thursday morning

Dress up for World Book Day: We are inviting children to dress up as a character from a book by a named (depending on Key Stage) well-known author.

OAK / KS1: As a Julia Donaldson book character

KS2: As a Roald Dahl book character

You can find lots of creative ideas at <u>worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas</u>
Alternatively, your child could make a mask, or a 'prop' that represents one of the characters.

**Family Competitions:** Make a **wooden spoon book character** or design and make **a room for your favourite book character**. There will be a prize for the best spoon and the best room in each phase (Oak&KS1 / Lower KS2 / Upper KS2). Please send your entries into school during the week beginning Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Entries will be judged on World Book Day and the winners announced on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March.







## Use your £1 World Book Day book token to get a FREE book!

Book tokens will be sent home with your child on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Getting a free £1 book for your child is easy - simply take your £1 book token to your nearest bookseller and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book OR get £1 off any book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can help your child choose their £1 book by showing them the exciting 'Look Insides' at worldbookday.com/books

Bookshops and supermarkets are a big part of what makes World Book Day special and thousands will be taking part in World Book Day 2022, with many putting on special events to celebrate World Book Day. Your local bookseller might be on the high street or could be a supermarket. Asda, Morrisons, Sainsbury's and Tesco all stock the £1 books. You can find your nearest bookseller at <a href="booksaremybag.com">booksaremybag.com</a>.

Reading for Pleasure: In school we strive to promote reading for pleasure. Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success – more than their family circumstances, their parents' educational background or their income. As part of our reading curriculum, we offer every child a weekly opportunity to visit our school library and choose a book that they can read and enjoy beyond our school reading scheme. We also share stories with the children every day. We would like to invite parents/carers into school to read with your child at the times outlined below. Due to limitations of space, we ask that, on this occasion, only one adult per child comes into school.

	9am – 9.20am	3.05pm-3.25pm
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1	Year 4
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 3	Year 5
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 2	Year 6
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March		Oak (3pm-3.20pm)

There are also lots of fun reading ideas and resources for you to enjoy with your child at home on the <u>World Book Day Family Hub</u> as well as brilliant book recommendations for all ages.

We're looking forward to celebrating World Book Day in school and hope you will join in too with your child at home.

World Book Day could not happen without the support of parents and carers - thank you, you make it happen!

Best Wishes,

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