



26th February 2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As part of our drive to maintain, promote and engage pupil interest in reading, the school is having a World Book Day celebration on Thursday 6th March 2025, and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion. World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for children.

As mentioned on our school Facebook page last week, we have decided to encourage children to dress-up if they wish. However, it is **optional** and they should not feel pressured or uncomfortable, especially when time is precious and households are already very busy environments, without the added expense and effort.

There will still be plenty of fun, exciting opportunities arranged for the pupils on the day though. Some of these are listed below:

- There is still a chance to 'dress for the occasion' - we are challenging pupils to make costumes or create some makeshift additions to their costume/person or add face paint or change hair styles, etc.
- Create reading scrapbooks and school book awards for some popular titles from the children's point of view.
- Opportunities to bring in their favourite book and sharing their teacher's favourite book.
- Design their own bookmark.
- Experience some storytelling with some selected books that inspire written ideas.
- Listen to some poetry read by a selection of children.

Dressing for the occasion is designed for both KS2 and KS3 to actively take-part in but it is **optional** and pupils who **do not** wish to take part, **must remain in school uniform** for the day. There will also be a special prize for the Best headwear in each year group throughout the school

To help get them started on their reading journey, every child will receive a £1 World Book Day Book token that can either be exchanged for one of TEN special £1 World Book Day books or used to get £1 off any book costing £2.99 or more. You can find out more about the books at [worldbookday.com/books](http://worldbookday.com/books). Your child's token will be distributed during the week of World Book Day and can be redeemed at most UK bookshops. Please help your child to use it on or around World Book Day by visiting your local bookshop.

You can support us in building your child's enthusiasm for books, well beyond World Book Day by reading together regularly and joining your local library, if you are not yet members. For more information about World Book Day and ideas on sharing books at home, visit [worldbookday.com](http://worldbookday.com). Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous—so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

We look forward to seeing your child actively taking part on this special day on Thursday 6th March.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Yours Sincerely,

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Head of English