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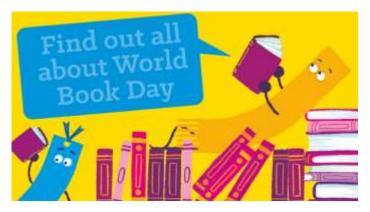
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Friday 12th February 2021

World Book Day – Thursday 4th March

World Book Day will be held on Thursday 4th March this year and we cannot wait to share and celebrate our love of books and reading with you! Unfortunately, we cannot carry out World Book Day as we usually would do this year, however we are still going celebrate this fantastic day and the powerful, positive nature books can have on all of us. Reading is one, if not the most important skill we can possibly have, which is why it forms the foundation of our whole school curriculum.



Throughout the day, the children's learning will be focused around books and how reading can develop our creativity and inspire us to write more. This is such a powerful tool and allows us to fully immerse ourselves in the incredible stories we read and go on adventures and journeys with our favourite characters that we could only dream of!

Dress-up as your favourite book character!

We are inviting all children and staff (in school and at home), to dress up as their favourite children's book characters for a day of fun reading activities. Based on last year's efforts, we know we are in for a treat so we are incredibly excited about seeing who you decide to be this year!

Book Tokens:



This World Book Day, children have a choice of wonderful stories to choose from, depending on what catches their eye and appeals to their interests. There is something for every kind of reader.

Book tokens will still be available for this year's day; however, they will be provided as a link, via Class Dojo. We will also have printed versions available for collection, if required. Unfortunately, these are not able to be spent online but there are still plenty of fantastic books available

for children to swap for a £1 book or purchase using their token, receiving £1 off the book price. Visit the World Book day website to explore these, have a sneak preview of the books on offer and find out more information.

Want to carry out some of your own World Book day Activities at home? Share a Story Live!

This is brand new provision on the World Book Day website. This will provide plenty of opportunity for interactive learning and exciting discussions about books between children. We would definitely recommend viewing at least one of these.

Visit the following link: https://www.worldbookday.com/events/

<u>Author and Illustrator Academy</u>. Here you will find a range of World Book Day £1 books Author / illustrator videos, allowing you to meet them and find out more about the creative minds behind some of your favourite books. You are also able to explore a range of activities, creative challenges and extracts to enjoy. Visit the Author and Illustrator Academy by clicking on the following link: https://www.worldbookday.com/online-masterclasses/

'Our Heroes' Story Writing Competition

The competition is open to all children in all year groups. The theme for stories is 'Our Heroes' and can be up to 1000 words long. Heroes may inspire all different kinds of stories in our children – superheroes and villains, heroic people in our lives or communities... let your imaginations run wild! It may be a short story, but pictures with captions or comic book stories would also be very welcome. The final date for entries is Wednesday 24th February.

Competition entries will be judged by our school staff, with a prize winner being chosen from each year group. The overall winner will then be selected by Mr. Parkinson, who will provide a recording of him reading this to the whole school, on Class Dojo!

We hope our children enjoy the day and range of activities we have planned, just as they usually would do if they were in school.

Good luck and happy writing!

Kind regards,

Mr. J Parkinson