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WORLD BOOK DAY fest



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Dear Parents / Guardians,

We will be celebrating **World Book Day** this year on **Thursday 1st March**. As part of our celebrations we are promoting the joy of reading and would like all of the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character, on this day. There will be a whole host of different activities and competitions taking place to encourage reading across the whole school. We hope that you will be able to take the time to share with us as we celebrate the benefits of reading and support your child, at home, in the various activities which we will be holding for World Book Day.

On the day the whole school will be coming together for a one off mega reading extravaganza. Preparations are already underway for this to be an exciting and great experience for all of the pupils from Foundation to Year 6. But until then, it is one big secret not to be revealed until the day...shh!

Your child will also bring home with them their £1 book token, which they can use to purchase one of the specially produced £1 books or put the voucher towards another book of their choice, vouchers can be spent in all good book shops.

The Scholastic book fair will also be in school on Wednesday 21st February and Thursday 22nd February, during Parents' Evening, and on Monday 26th February after school until 3:30pm. This is a great opportunity to browse and purchase a new book to read.

Create your own book character

We are looking for creative, artistic children (and their supportive adults), who love books, to use their imagination and creative skills to transform an ordinary everyday wooden spoon into a book character. Imagine Mr Spoon in fancy dress as your inspiration! (Parents of a certain age will know who I mean, please Google otherwise!) Could there be a Harry Potter, Winnie the Witch or even a Peppa Pig! Prizes will be

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awarded to the most unique and creative wooden spoon within each key phase. Wooden spoons in full fancy dress mode need to be handed in to class teachers **by Monday 26th February**. This gives you plenty of time over half term to get your creative masterpieces underway.

Design a book token

This year another competition, open to all pupils (from Foundation to Year 6) is to design a book token, the template is attached. These are like the gift cards you can buy in various shops. You could include your favourite book character on it, show an image encouraging reading, create a scene from a classic story or maybe you have a better idea of your own. Designs must be completed on the template provided and all completed entries need to be handed in to class teachers **by Thursday 1st March** so that they can be entered for the national competition.

And finally,

Thank you for your continued support. I can't wait to see all of your imaginative creations in designing the book token and transforming a wooden spoon, but more importantly, seeing you all dressed as your favourite book character. Good luck, have fun and keep sharing fantastic books.

Kind regards,

Mrs Helen Moody