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Dear Parents/Carers,

World Book Day - Thursday 3rd March

World Book Day celebrates the joy of reading, authors, illustrators and books. For their 25th anniversary, the theme this year is "You are a reader!"

This year we want to make it all about the books and offer a range of ideas to promote reading. Children can wear their comfiest PJs for story time and bring in their favourite book to share. Or dress up as their favourite book character by making a simple costume or bringing in a prop/accessory, along with the related book (please put your child's name and class inside the book cover).

See <u>World Book Day Dress Up Ideas</u>. This will lead to a better discussion about the characters and books chosen. Children might also like to make a potato or egg box book character to show. See <u>Make Your Favourite Book Character (worldbookday.com)</u>

In the UK, nearly 400,000 children don't have a book of their own. Having access to books and developing a love of reading for pleasure is vital for a child's future. Donations of £1 to the World Book Day charity will be gratefully received. A donation of £1 helps the charity to get book tokens to every child across the UK and Ireland. This cause was chosen in honour of Sheila Newman, one of our school governors who sadly passed away a few years ago. She was passionate about all children having access to books to read.

We will also be accepting any donations of children's dressing up costumes. Please hand these in to your child's class or the school office. Thank you for your support.









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