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Dear Parents/Carers,

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

World Book Day celebrates the joy of reading, authors, illustrators and books. Similar to last year, we want to make it all about the books and offer a range of ideas to promote reading. Firstly, we would like to invite parents to come in and read a story to their child's class as a 'Mystery Reader!'. Please email admin@oswaldroad.manchester.sch.uk if you would be interested.

On the day, children can wear their comfiest PJs for reading 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).

If possible, the character should reflect what your child is reading or a character they've got to know through one of the 'Reading for Pleasure' books in school. If your child would prefer not to dress up then they can bring in an item from home that links to a favourite character from a book they like or they could make a potato, wooden spoon or egg box book character to show. The class can ask questions to work out who/what book is being represented. It could also be a non-fiction book that they enjoy reading. See [World Book Day Dress Up Ideas](#). This will lead to a better discussion about the characters and books chosen.

In the UK, nearly 1000,000 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 for 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. A Parent Pay item will be set up called 'World Book Day Donation'.

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.

Kind regards,
Sarah Greenway
Reading for Pleasure/Parent Lead

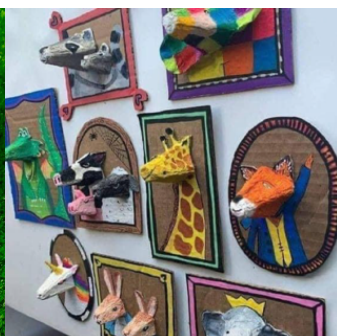


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