

13th February 2026

World Book Day 2026

Dear Parents

It's that time of year again... We are really looking forward to celebrating World Book Day together on Thursday 5th March.

This year, this event is part of a wider national initiative: The National Year of Reading. As a school, we will be using the activities and training provided through this to improve our reading curriculum further and to learn even more about how we can nurture a love of reading in all of our children. Please do have a look at the weblink to find out more about this exciting initiative.

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/about-us/national-year-of-reading-2026>

These are the whole-school activities that we have planned for World Book Day this year.

Amazing Animals Quiz

In this competition, you must correctly match an animal character from a children's book to the correct book. Quizzes will be given out at the beginning of World Book Day 'week' (on Monday 2nd March), so you will have plenty of time to think about which book each character is from.

Completed quizzes should be handed in to your child's teacher by the morning of Friday 6th March. The answers will be revealed in assembly on Friday afternoon, and three lucky winners will be drawn at random from all the correct quizzes. The winners will each receive a book-related prize.

Young Governors' Art Competition: Books and Reading

After the success of this half-term's art competition, the Young Governors will be running another art competition on the theme of 'Books and Reading'. A separate letter will be sent out with more details about this competition.

Dressing Up

On World Book Day itself, we would like the children to dress up as a character from a book or to bring into school an accessory that a character in a book might have. This could be something that you would wear or an object associated with that character. Please also bring a copy of the book in to school so that we can share these together too.

Please do not bring or wear anything associated with guns or war, or anything that is particularly expensive or irreplaceable.

Book Café

There are so many incredible books for children to read and we'd love to share some of our favourites with you. On World Book Day, parents are invited to come into school at 08:45 - 09:00 or 15:15 - 15:30 for a 'Book Café'. You will be able to browse some of our favourite titles with your child and to hear about what they enjoy reading. There is definitely a book for absolutely everyone!

£1 Book Tokens

As usual, your child will receive a £1 book token that they can exchange for a £1 book at any participating bookshop or supermarket. Follow the link below to browse the great selection of books on offer. <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

We hope you are looking forward to World Book Day as much as we are! If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,

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