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Dear parents and carers,

World Book Day takes place on **Friday 3rd March** and we hope this will be another wonderful celebration of all that we do to promote a lifelong love of reading.

Every year on World Book Day we are overwhelmed by the enthusiasm of our school community. We know that this year many more families will find themselves in a position where finances are being directed towards other priorities at this time. We don't want our celebrations to be an additional burden either on your family or on your child feeling pressurised to dress up. Dressing up or bringing books into school can be a big part of the celebrations and what families particularly enjoy about World Book Day but this year we ask that you consider the impact on the children who aren't able to or don't want to take part in this way.

I would also like us, as a community, to be aware of those pupils who follow their interests around facts in their interactions with books and may prefer to share their non-fiction interests through World Book Day, rather than just thinking about fiction and favourite characters as we have done in previous years.

We will have lots of fun activities taking place throughout the day including:

- Buddy reading
- Access to books at home -we'll be hosting a book swap on Friday before and after school. Please drop off your unwanted books in the box outside the school. Whether or not you've got a book to bring along to swap, come and browse and find something you might like to read. We have some titles from the library which have been taken out of circulation for varying reasons but which are more than suitable to find their next home!
- Use your £1 World Book Day book token to get a **FREE** book! Getting a free £1 book for your child is easy - simply take your £1 book token to your nearest bookseller and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book OR get £1 off any book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can find your nearest bookseller at www.worldbookday.com/participating-retailers
- Having trusted adults and peers sharing and recommending books
- We will be using World Book Day as a way to share our favourite books.
- We will be dressing up this year. We want the children to use their costumes to share their favourite books and we encourage you to use things you already have at home. If your child does not wish to dress up as a character instead they could wear their pyjamas or come in their normal school uniform.

Check out the World Book Day Family Hub for more things to do at home. www.worldbookday.com/families/

We're very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, which could not happen without the support of parents and carers - thank you.

Best wishes,

Mr Hillerton
Headteacher



Executive Head Teacher Mr D J Gray MA, NPQH

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