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Dear Parent/Carer,

World Book Day 2024



World Book Day takes place on [Thursday 7th March](#) and we hope you'll join us as we come together to encourage every child in school to be a reader and love books. This year's theme is '**read your way**'.

Activities in school

To celebrate World Book Day, we will have plenty of fun activities taking place throughout the day including assemblies and lessons centred around books. Inline with World Book Day 2024 we will celebrate that children are more likely to enjoy reading when their choices are championed and we make reading fun.

There are also lots of fun reading ideas and resources for you to enjoy with your child at home on the <https://www.worldbookday.com/families/> as well as brilliant book recommendations for all ages.

Dressing up

We would like to welcome the children to dress up as a book character. It would be great if your child could also bring in a copy of the book that they are dressed as a character from. There will be prizes for the best costumes and we will be looking in particular for costumes that are original and/or homemade, rather than shop-bought. We also acknowledge for some children dressing up can be stressful. Ideas for alternatives can be found on the web link also. <https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas/>

Here are some more ideas:



From the smallest seeds, to the tallest trees, always aiming higher; Give, Grow and Aspire



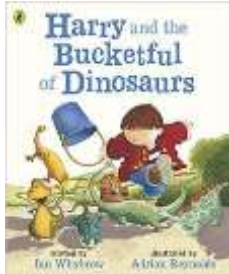
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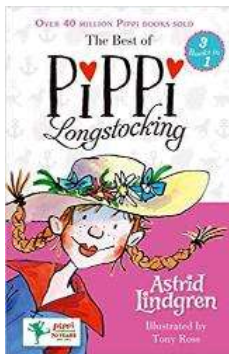
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Most of us have a bucket somewhere, usually a beach one, and dinosaur toys are popular with most kids. This book is a well-loved one and Harry is an instantly recognisable character.

What you will need:

- A bucket to carry
- Toy dinosaurs to put in the bucket (or printed pictures of dinosaurs to stick onto it)



Pippi is a lovable scruff ball with super-human strength and a bit of a temper.

What you will need:

- Plaited hair
- Odd socks
- Dungarees (or any scruffy, loose clothes)



Billionaire Boy is all about a rich child with no friends. His dad made money from toilet paper, so if you really want to be clever you could stuff some paper "money" into a toilet roll as a prop.

What you will need:

- Grey trousers
- Messy hair
- A bunch of paper money to stuff in pockets



Julia Donaldson's Stick Man is perfect for a last-minute WBD costume, especially if your child has some brown clothes and is fond of the outdoors.

What you will need:

- All brown clothes
- Grab some sticks/leaves on your walk to school for added effect!



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Book tokens

To celebrate World Book Day we will be sending every child home with a £1 World Book Day token.

[Use your £1/€1.50 World Book Day book token to get a FREE book!](#)

Over 400 independent bookshops and retailers across the UK and Ireland including The Works, WHSmith, Waterstones, Morrisons, Sainsbury's, Tesco and Asda will be welcoming children, families, schools, and local communities to have fun choosing a free book with their £1/€1.50 token to discover more wonderful ways to read.

Scholastic Book Fair

We have a Scholastic Book Fair visiting the school between 7th and 11th of March which will be located in the main school hall. If you wish to have a look and purchase books please come to the doors via Goldington Road once you have collected your child at the end of the normal school day. You will be able to browse the selection. Books you would like to purchase can be paid for online at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay Books will be on display between 3pm-3:45pm between March 7th and 11th.

We're looking forward to celebrating World Book Day in school and hope you will join in too with your child at home.

World Book Day could not happen without the support of parents and carers - thank you, you make it happen!

Yours sincerely

Mrs Julie Loxley
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