



Dear Parents/Carers,

World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 3rd 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.

On World Book Day children will need to bring in one of their favorite books-teachers will be joining in too! They will also need to bring in a poem they are happy to perform to the class. Children should attend school in school uniform.

To celebrate World Book Day, we will have plenty of fun activities taking place throughout the day to celebrate a love of reading including: launching our Read for Good readathon, sharing our favorite books with one another and performing poetry. Following on from National Poetry Day children will study the work of Joseph Coelho to produce a whole school poetry anthology inspired by nature.

Children will receive their £1 World Book Day book token to get a free book, which you can redeem at local booksellers. You can help your child choose their £1 book by showing them the exciting 'Look Insides', they provide a summary of the book and an extract [worldbookday.com/](http://worldbookday.com/) Book vouchers are valid till the 27<sup>th</sup> March.

We are also participating in a 'Readathon' as School Council have expressed a desire to raise money for Charity. Please read on for more detailed information.



Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.

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*The more that you read, the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.* **Dr. Seuss**



It's been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives.

We are running a **Read for Good Readathon** and we'd love your child to join in. The Readathon will be launched on **World Book Day (Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March) and run till Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April.**

Pupils can choose whatever they want to read - from comics to classics - they are not being assessed, it's all about reading for fun!

The **charity** 'Read for Good' provides a regular supply of brand-new books and a resident storyteller to every major children's hospital in the UK. Your sponsorship money will be supporting their work. **School will receive free books worth 20% of our grand sponsorship total this money will be spent on investing in books linked to the topics we study in class.**

Teachers, parents and pupils tell us that the freedom to choose what to read, combined with the knowledge that they are directly helping children in hospital compels pupils to get involved.

### To support the Readathon:

1. **Discuss with your children what they plan to read and are reading**, remember they can read whatever they want: books, e-books, poetry, comics – anything goes!
2. **Help your child find sponsors among family and friends.** All sponsorship money is to be submitted online at: <https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor> (which family and friends can use too).

Please support your children sponsored read as much as you can. They'll be helping children in hospitals to have access to books, as well as helping themselves!

For more information, visit [www.readforgood.org](http://www.readforgood.org).

**Thank you for your support – helping your child to keep reading, raising and being amazing!!**



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

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Fitzpatrick  
(Federation English Coordinator)

