



26th February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March 2020

This year for World Book Day, we have several fun initiatives ready to get our children reading more. During the day, each class will be sharing books and doing lots of book related activities.

Vocabulary Parade

After the success of last year, we would like the children to select a word then dress according to the word selected. This means that they choose a word to dress up as rather than a character. Below is some example of words the children can choose and costume ideas they can wear:

Illuminate

Incognito



Hatch

Archaic

Let's get the children creative by selecting a word then illustrating this through their costume.

Book Tokens

Thanks to National Book Tokens and lots of lovely book publishers and booksellers, World Book Day, in partnership with schools all over the country, will be distributing more than **15 million** £1 World Book Day tokens to children. We will send the token home with your child this week, when you get your book token, all you need to do is to take it to your local bookseller. If you prefer, you can use your book token to get £1.00 off any full price book. The World Book Day book tokens are valid until **31st March 2020**.

Book Fair in School!

From **Thursday 12th March 2020 until Wednesday 18th March 2020** we will be holding our annual book fair in school. The children will be able to browse through the book fair during the day and it will be open for parents and children to make their purchases after school between 3.30 pm – 4.45 pm in the school foyer area. Children can also use their book tokens. The more books that are sold the more commission the school gets to buy books for our reading areas. Please come and have a look, there will be lots of exciting books to buy. Please note between these dates the afterschool club children maybe dismissed through a different door at 4.30pm, the office will ensure signage is put up in good time.

Charity Book Collection

This year, we are beginning to create further charitable links. We are working with the charity 'Hope and Compassion' to collect old books to send to those less fortunate in India. Hope & Compassion is a charity that works with other organisations abroad to improve the lives of children with Special Educational Needs and their families living in poverty in developing countries. At the heart of Hope and Compassion is a team of experienced professionals from the UK, qualified in education and specialist therapies. We will be collecting books for the charity, if you have any unused books that you would like to donate, please send them into school by **Tuesday 31st March 2020** and they will go directly towards those in need. All donations will be very appreciated.

Reading at Home

Each day your child brings home their home reading record. It is very important to listen to your child read every day and talk about books with them. The reading record is a means of communicating with your child's teacher to tell them about how your child is getting on with their reading at home. In the record there are useful tips for parents, including stickers helping children and parents to keep reading fun and rewarding, our goal is to encourage reading for pleasure. Please try to fill in the record, even if it is just a simple comment to let us know your child is reading at home.

We look forward to seeing the children in their costumes for World Book Day!

Yours sincerely

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