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Wednesday 21st February 2024.

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March 2024.

Dear parents/carers,

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7th March and we hope you'll join us to celebrate. We are celebrating World Book Day this year in the setting because we support the charity's mission to change lives through a love of books and reading.

Dressing up or bringing books into the setting is a big part of World Book Day celebrations, and is something that children and families particularly enjoy. We are inviting children to dress up this World Book Day as it's an exciting way for children to get book recommendations from each other.

We are aware that the cost of living crisis might make this difficult for some families, so we have organised the events to make sure that our World Book Day is fun and inclusive for all. Therefore, we ask that you wear your favourite set of **pyjamas or onesie** to school for the day. You can bring slippers to change into, if you wish, and also your favourite snuggly teddy or blanket too.

We'd love to include you in our celebrations by coming along to our **bedtime reading session at 3pm** on the day. The children will be in their 'teams' so siblings will be placed together.

As part of the World Book Day activities, we would love it if you could send your child's chosen book in with them on the day so we can read it to them and their friends.

We'll also be hosting a very special book swap. Drop off any unwanted books in the box in the entrance foyer by Wednesday 6th March 2024 and we will then ask the children to browse. If they are interested in a particular book, they are free to take this home with them.

To continue our celebrations, the staff will take part in 'The Masked Reader,' where staff will read a section of a book 'masked'. The children will have the task of deciding which member of staff is under the mask and what text they are reading. What fun!

All pupils will be given a free £1 book token which can be taken to your nearest bookseller and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book OR alternatively you can use it to get £1 off ANY book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can find your nearest bookseller at worldbookday.com/participating-retailers.

We will be taking part in many activities during the days all reading related and we will be encouraging the children to be immersed in lots of different books, sharing these with their peers and parents. We're very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, which could not happen without the support of parents and carers – thank you.

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