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### **World Book Day 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Dear parents and caregivers,

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

Dressing up or bringing books into school 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.

The book choice is key – even if it's just a prop or a clue, make sure your child is recommending something to read with their costume. We are aware that the cost-of-living crisis might make this difficult for some families, so we encourage you to use things you already have at home to make a creative costume, come in your pyjamas or come dressed ready to read. We want to make sure that our World Book Day is fun and inclusive for all.

We'd love to include you in our celebrations by:

Coming into the setting to enjoy our breakfast and read morning open between 8.45am and 9.30am. As part of this we would really appreciate food and drink contributions. These need to be in by Wednesday please so that we can set up for your arrival on Thursday. We would love contributions for each class of: orange juice, apple juice, croissants, cereal bars, strawberries, grapes, children's yogurts, disposable spoons, disposable plates, disposable cups, brioche, mini waffles and mini pancakes. It is absolutely fine if more than one person provides the same item or you bring other items. Thank you so much for your help with this.

#### Access to books

1. We'll also be hosting a very special book swap. Drop off any unwanted books to your class teacher- we want every child to go home with a new to you book on Thursday. All spare books will go to our Sandhill Book Swap station in the reception area, where you are free to come and browse and please feel free to take something you would like to read- this is open all year round!

2. 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 use it to get £1 off any ANY book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can find your nearest bookseller at [worldbookday.com/participating-retailers](http://worldbookday.com/participating-retailers)

3. Check out the World Book Day Family Hub for more things to do at home.

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

Kind regards

Mrs Nicole Baker