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RE: World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

Dear Parent,

I am writing to inform you that Thursday 7th March is World Book Day and as usual, we will be participating in this event.

The day is a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and most importantly, it is a celebration of reading. It is the biggest celebration of its kind and the day has been designated by UNESCO (United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation) as a worldwide celebration of books and reading, and marked in over 100 countries all over the world.

I am sure that you are aware that each child may come to school dressed as a literary character of your choosing on 7th March. The character needs to be from a book, rather than a film, although often they may be from both. This is a great opportunity for you to read some stories with your child and choose their favourite character to dress up as. This is not compulsory or intended to be a costly or onerous task.

Activities will take place during the week of World Book Day and will include a whole school 500 word writing competition where every child will write a story. To encourage the children to enjoy the occasion we have organised a number of author visits, including Katy Cawkwel, Victoria Byron, Sandra Greaves and Claire Barker. The activities of the week will be a great opportunity for us to continue to promote reading and to encourage the children to explore the pleasure of books.

Each school is given a small value book voucher for each child which can then be exchanged for a book within a specially selected World Book Day range, or as a contribution towards the cost of a book of their choice.

I hope all the children will enjoy the day and the events and activities going on and will be inspired to read more.

Yours sincerely,



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