



9<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parent / carer

### **World Book Day**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, we are celebrating World Book Day (WBD). The theme this year is unity. Therefore, we would like the children to come dressed as Wally/Waldo from the book Where's Wally.

To enable children to express their love of stories, we ask they bring their favourite story from home to read to their peers, in a different key stage, during an afternoon session as well as at break and lunch times.

As we appreciate the current cost of living crisis, if you are unable to provide a costume for your child, please come to the office and we will be more than happy to support families where we can.

### **Parental engagement**

At 2:45pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March during WBD we are holding a DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) session. Families are invited into all classrooms to read with their children until 3:10pm. Please go to the classroom door upon arrival. We look forward to you listening to your children read or reading a story to your child.

### **World Book Day activities**

Over the course of the day we will have a number of activities:

- Where's the book? and Where's the character? quizzes and problem-solving trails at break and lunch time. Children will be solving book clues and deciphering book covers to solve the missing characters.
- Children will take part in a 'design your door' competition. Children will design and decorate their classroom doors reflecting their favourite book/books.
- Children will also take part in a 'design a cushion' competition. Children will design and sew two pillows for their reading areas reflecting their favourite book/books.
- Teachers will be reading an acting out their favourite books over the course of the day.
- Children will have the opportunity to read their favourite books to a different key stage or be read to by another peer.

### Community Book Swap

To promote the love of reading, we have built a book swap library that will be placed at the front of school. We will fill the library with books from school. Families, staff and children will be able to use the library to swap books of their choice. If any families have unwanted books, please donate these to the school so that we can keep the library well stocked for the community.

### World Book Day 2024

Next year's theme is diversity. The children will dress in a WBD costume of choice. To support the cost of living crisis, we are asking for donations for WBD costumes to support families next year. Please can we ask that any donations are given to the office by the end of the summer term. We will then also hold a costume swap for families a few weeks prior to WBD 2024.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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