

# World Book Day

Dear Parents and Carers,

During the week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> March, we will be holding a reading week to celebrate world book day and further develop a love of reading in our school community. Although this week will look different from previous years, we are keen to still make it special for our little ones who may be learning at home or in school. We will hold an optional dress up day on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March for the children in school and at home.



This year the focus is '**We are Storytellers**'. We would like to inspire the children to retell their favourite stories off by heart. During the week, in our story time sessions, we will be teaching the children about how to use verbal and non-verbal cues to help bring the characters to life in their favourite stories. Read below to find out what else we have planned throughout the week.

## Storytime sessions

Each day for the Storytime sessions, your child's class teacher will teach how to use expression, change our voices, use facial expressions to help portray parts of our favourite stories. This will help them for the '**We are storytellers**' challenge.



## 'We are storytellers' challenge

We would like you to send in a video of your child retelling a key phrase from one of their favourite stories by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March. They may want to use some of their tips from the story sessions to help bring the characters to life.



## World book day - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March

For the LIVE story session this day, we will play a 'Guess who' game. We would like the children to dress up as a book character and then give us clues about who they are, e.g. I am rude, I like things that are 'just right' I have blond curly hair. Who am I?

### Masked readers

Each day a member of our school team will read a story but they will be wearing a mask. Your child needs to guess who the mystery story teller is. This will be uploaded onto google classroom. Please write on the stream who you think the mystery adult is. The adult may put on a silly voice/ accent to try to make it trickier for your little ones to guess correctly.



## Reading challenge

There will be a special prize for the class who has the most reads on rising stars that week. If you have any problems with your account on a particular day, please let us know on google classroom so we can add your child's read that day to the class total.

## Topic challenge for the week

This week the topic activities will be reading activities. Please feel free to pick and choose the activities that interest your child. This will be uploaded as the topic activity page at the beginning of the week.

## Book design competition

There will be a competition for your child to design a book cover for their favourite book. Please see the letter on weekly comms for more information on to how to enter.

We recognise this is a difficult time for you all, so please do not worry if your child does not want to dress up or take part in some of the activities. That is ok!

Yours sincerely,

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