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Dear Parent/Carer,

World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 7th March**, and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion, celebrating the joy and value of books and reading.



On World Book Day, thousands of children in schools across the country celebrate reading each year by dressing up as a book character to raise money for Book Aid International. This charity is the UK's leading international book donation and library development charity. Every year, the charity sends around one million brand new books to people around the world who would otherwise have few books, or even no books at all.

We are asking for a **voluntary £1 donation** on World Book Day for dressing up as a book character, which will help raise funds for Book Aid International. It only costs the charity £2 to send a book so the more money we raise; the more books will be able to be sent.

In order to further promote the love for reading, every child receives a **£1 World Book Day Book Token** that can either be exchanged for one of TEN special £1 World Book Day books or used to get £1 off any book costing £2.99 or more. You can find out more about the books at <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>.

Your child is bringing home with them today their book token which can be redeemed at most UK bookshops. Please help your child to use it on or around World Book Day by visiting your local bookshop or using it at our travelling book fair, between **Thursday 28th February and Monday 4th March**.

You can join us in building your child's enthusiasm for books well beyond World Book Day by reading together regularly and joining your local library if you are not yet members. For more information about World Book Day and ideas on sharing books at home, visit www.worldbookday.com.

In addition, we will be holding a Big Booky Breakfast on **Friday 8th March 8.15-8.45am**. This will be a great opportunity to share and read books with your child/children. We will have a selection of books available or you are welcome to bring one from home. Tea and coffee will be served for the adults and cakes will be available to purchase, to raise further funds for Book Aid International. If you would like to attend the morning, please inform the Mrs Shrosbree in the main school office.

Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous – so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Miss C Street
Head of School

