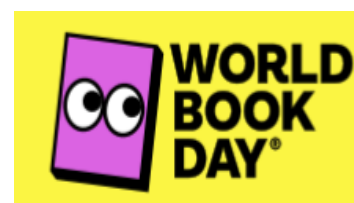


Dear Parent/Carer

Book Week – Monday 2nd March 2026

We are intending running a Book Week beginning Monday 2nd March. We wanted to give you plenty of prior warning about some of the activities we are intending.

- On **Monday 2nd March** we will be inviting any parents who would like to share a book with groups of children into school from 2.00pm in the afternoon. We will send a letter nearer the time and would kindly ask that you complete the slip to let us know if you are coming in. Knowing who is coming enables us to plan effectively, so all children can benefit from this activity.
- **World Book Day, Thursday 5th March**, will be a come to school dressed as a book character day. Please can we stress this does not mean you need to spend lots of money. Many websites offer cheap costume ideas that you can put together from things at home. The following one is a good place to start:



<https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/>

Please ensure costumes and footwear are suitable for a busy day in school.

Your child will bring home a £1 book voucher that can be used to purchase one of the special titles from participating book shops. More information can be found <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

- Classes will be accessing live online sessions with authors and illustrators during the week.
- Starting half term week and finishing at the end of Book week, we would like as many children as possible to take part in a **sponsored reading event**. This will be to raise money for new and exciting books for our school library. Children can fill in a dinosaur paw print for each book read and on Friday 6th March we will see how far round the school playground we can make the footprints reach. Sponsorship forms will come home on 13th February. So, keep reading over half term!
- Anytime from half term and up to and including 5th March please take pictures of your child reading in an 'unusual' place. These photo's can be either emailed to adminoffice@marchwood-inf.hants.sch.uk or sent in with your child to share. A display will be made of all photos and prizes will be given for the most unusual places.



We hope your children will really enjoy this week in school and with your support we can continue to make reading for pleasure and fostering a lifelong love of books a high priority.

Mrs Fisher

Assistant Headteacher/English Lead