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Dear Parents/Carers

World Book Day is officially on **Thursday the 3rd March** this year. To coincide with World Book Day, we will be celebrating by having a day filled with stories; listening to, reading and writing our own. To help add to the celebrations, we would like to invite parents, carers, family and friends to sponsor your child to read as many books as they can, to contribute to buying some up to date non-fiction books for the library and reading scheme. We would also like children to come dressed in fancy dress, as a character from a book or nursery rhyme on the day.

Below are further details on what we are doing for World Book Day this year and to further promote reading for enjoyment, in and out of school.

The **first task** is to come in dressed as a book character.

The **second task** is to complete the '**sponsored readathon**' challenge. This is a challenge that has been set to promote reading for enjoyment, which has a significant effect on academic outcomes for children in literacy and many other areas. It is also being run by Usborne books who are going to support school by donating free books based on the amount of sponsorship money raised, so the more you raise the more non-fiction books we can get for the library 😊. Every time a book is finished (between the 18th February and 4th March) the children note it down on their reading log. It may be a good idea to put it straight on the fridge or wall at home so your child can keep track. Once the 2 weeks are over, they can bring in their score e.g. how many stories they have shared and their sponsorship money.

The **third task** is an in-school competition, where children will have the opportunity to **design a book token**, to have a chance of winning these prizes:

A panel of judges will select a winner and runner-up in each of three age categories: **up to 8 years, 9-12 years and 13-16 years.**

<p>FIRST PRIZE in each age range wins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• £250 National Book Tokens for the school• £100 National Book Tokens for the pupil• £100 National Book Tokens for the teacher	<p>SECOND PRIZE in each age range wins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• £150 National Book Tokens for the school• £50 National Book Tokens for the pupil• £100 National Book Tokens for the teacher	<p>ONE OVERALL WINNER</p> <p>will win a £10/£12 National Book Token for every child in their class, featuring their winning design.</p>
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The **fourth task** is to bring in a maximum of 5 good quality, enjoyable but unwanted books into school, FACES and the FPTA will then run a BRING and BUY sale. Books will be sold at pocket money prices (20p-50p max). You can start sending in your unwanted books from next week. This is to help children have access to a range of texts and encourage reading for enjoyment.

Visit worldbookday.com for lots of ideas and activities to enjoy all year round. Here are a few of our favourites:

- Children can meet the creative minds behind this year's £1/€1.50 books at the [World Book Day digital events](#) and [Author & Illustrator Academy](#).
- Find competitions, book recommendations, free audiobooks and more in the [World Book Day Family Hub](#).
- Check out the World Book Day Book Club and more on the World Book Day YouTube channel: youtube.com/WorldBookDayUK
- Help your child discover more great reads with the ultimate list of [Reading Recommendations](#) at worldbookday.com/reading-recommendations

You can exchange your £1/€1.50 World Book Day book token for a FREE book until Sunday 27 March 2022. You can help your child choose their £1/€1.50 book by showing them the exciting 'Look Insides' at worldbookday.com/books.

We look forward to seeing you in your costumes on World Book Day!

Yours sincerely,

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