

World Book Week - Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March

Dear parents and caregivers,

We are very excited to inform you about our plans for World Book Week.

We are celebrating World Book Day because we value the importance of reading for pleasure, and we support the charity's mission to change lives through a love of books and reading. World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March, but as part of our commitment to encouraging all students to love reading, we will be hosting a number of events throughout the week Monday 4th March to Friday 8th March.

The theme for our World Book Week is: Myths, Legends and Odysseys. We will be celebrating the ancient journeys of Ancient Greeks and characters from other legends, as well as the individual journeys of our staff and students.

Some of the events that will be taking place during WBW are:

- o Year 7 World Book Day Costume Competition Thursday 7th March.
- o Readathon (sponsorship optional)
- o Book Review Competition
- o Writing Competition
- o Guess the Character Competition (Staff Dress Up)
- o Best Book Cover Re-imagined Competition
- o Guess the Masked Reader! Competition
- o Design a Bookmark Competition
- o Virtual Author Visit

My Journey Culture Day on Friday 8th March – Traditional dress / Cultural Dress/ Flag Colours

The weeks' events will culminate in My Journey Culture Day on Friday 8th March when all year groups are invited come to school in traditional dress or cultural dress/ flag colours. This will be a fantastic end to the weeks' events in which we can collectively celebrate our individual stories. If students are not in traditional dress /cultural colours then full school uniform must be worn.

World Book Day Vouchers

World Book Day Vouchers will be distributed to all students on Monday 4th March. Getting a free £1 book for your child is easy – simply take your £1 book token to your nearest bookseller and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book OR use it to get £1 off any ANY book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more. You can find your nearest bookseller at worldbookday.com/participating-retailers.

Year 7 World Book Day Costume Competition – Thursday 7th March.

Dressing up or bringing books into school is a big part of World Book Day celebrations and is something that students and families particularly enjoy. We are inviting students in Year 7 to dress up this World Book Day as it's an exciting way for students to get book recommendations from each other. This could be a full book related costume, part of a costume over full uniform, or students could just bring in a prop to prompt discussions about their favourite books and stories. If students are not in full costume, they must wear their uniform.

Dressing up is completely optional and any students who do not wish to do so, should come to school in their full school uniform as usual.

We are very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Week with our students and are grateful for your support and encouragement in this – thank you!

With kind regards,
Mrs Wood
Literacy Lead for Reading

