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World Book Week - 2nd-6th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share that we will be celebrating **World Book Week 2026** with a range of exciting activities designed to inspire a love of reading across the school. Throughout the week, children will take part in special events that celebrate books, stories and the joy of reading for pleasure.

What's happening during the week:

Monday	<p>Creative Reading & Story Sessions Day</p> <p>During their art lesson on Monday, children will design and create an "Invitation to Bedtime Stories" bookmark. Classes will also work together to design their own class reading dens, preparing exciting spaces for shared reading.</p> <p>Virtual Story Sessions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 3 & 4 – Tom Gates (10:00–10:30am)• Reception & Year 1 – Lovely Little Ladybirds (11:00am) <p>After School Pre-Loved Book Giveaway</p> <p>Families are invited to choose from a selection of pre-loved books to encourage reading at home and support our reading culture.</p>
Tuesday	<p>Virtual Author Visits & Library Focus Day</p> <p>Virtual Author Sessions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 – Kamizen (10:00am)• Year 2 – Double Drama (2:00pm) <p>Library Visits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 1 (2:00–2:30pm)• Year 5 (2:30–3:00pm)
Wednesday	<p>Author Visit & Outdoor Learning Day</p> <p>Ellie Pulze – KS1 Author Visit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 1 (9:30–10:00am)• Reception (10:00–10:30am)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 2 (10:45–11:15am) <p>KS1 children will enjoy an engaging author session with Ellie Pulze, designed to inspire imagination and a love of storytelling.</p> <p>Outdoor Learning Children will complete a carousel of activities linking to reading and writing throughout the day.</p> <p>Bedtime Stories</p> <p>We will also be hosting our first Bedtime Stories Evening from 5:30pm. Children and parents are invited to come along in pyjamas to enjoy stories read by staff, cosy reading dens, hot chocolate and biscuits. Please sign up to the event if you haven't done so already and would like to attend.</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1gr7HrcYfQbRFJXon0WjzdwVZCz-AG9fPdnBJ9ndE6fM/edit?usp=sharing_eil_se_dm&ts=699d7651</p>
Thursday	<p>Dress Up as a Word</p> <p>Children and staff are invited to dress up as a <i>word</i>, encouraging creativity and a love of language across the school.</p> <p>Activities for the Day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teacher Reading Race Teachers will visit different classes to read aloud, sharing favourite stories and modelling reading for pleasure. ● World Book Day Assembly A special assembly led by Mr Bartlett to celebrate reading and storytelling. ● Year 5 – <i>Bonehead</i> Author Virtual Talk (2:00–2:30pm)
Friday	<p>Library Visit & Reading for Pleasure</p> <p>Classes will visit the school library throughout the day to explore new books, develop research skills and enjoy reading for pleasure.</p> <p>Library Visit Timetable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LAN – 10:00–10:30am ● Reception – 10:30–11:00am ● Year 2 – 11:00–11:30am ● Year 6 – 11:30am–12:00pm ● Year 3 – 2:00–2:30pm ● Year 4 – 2:30–3:00pm

Book Tokens

Each child will receive a World Book Day book token, which can be used to purchase a special £1 book or to receive £1 off a book at participating bookshops. We are really looking forward to a fun-filled week that celebrates reading and inspires children to explore new stories and authors. Thank you for your continued support in encouraging reading at home.

Mr Bartlett

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