

## World Book Day - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

It is World Book Day next Thursday and we have lots of activities planned. As usual, children can come into school dressed as a book character. Simple costume ideas that can be made from everyday items of clothing can be found on the internet by searching World Book Day costumes – we do not expect you to go out and buy costumes. Where possible, we would like all children to bring a copy of the book that their character is in so that these can be shared with their classmates. Each child will, of course, also receive a World Book Day token on the day that they can exchange for one of the World Book Day books until Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

### Competitions

As part of our celebrations, we are going to run two competitions. The first is a creative challenge – to create a **Story in a Jar**. For this, all your child needs is an empty jar – this could be a jam jar, Kilner jar or any other clear, jar shaped container. The idea is to represent a story that your child is familiar with by adding objects, toys, decorations or key phrases to the jar so that others can tell what the story is. There will be prizes awarded in each year group.



The second competition is to write a **Book Review**. Your child will bring home a book review template to complete at home. If your child is not yet able to write, it is fine for parents/carers to ask them why they liked the book and for the adult to write for them. The templates are age appropriate so that the younger children have the opportunity to draw some pictures. Please remember to fill in your child's full name and class on the back of the template. Again, there will be winners from each year group and the best reviews will be laminated and kept in our library areas in school.

Good luck everyone!

### Enjoy a teacher's favourite story

On World Book Day, teachers are going to bring in one of their favourite stories to share with our children. For the last part of the day, teachers are going to swap classes and read this book so that children will get the opportunity to listen to great stories read by other teachers in school.

### World Book Day Draw Along

Children in Key Stage 2 will also have the opportunity to attend a virtual draw along with local author/illustrator Phil Sheppard who will be showing the children how to draw characters from this year's World Book Day Books.

## **Book Swap Shop**

In 2019, we launched our Book Swap Shops in school. Unfortunately, the pandemic meant that we had to suspend using them however we are now able to encourage their use again and World Book Day is a great time for us to get this going again. In each library area around school, we have a book swap shop where children can bring in a book, that is still in good condition, that they no longer wish to read. They can then swap this for one that they would like to read from the Swap Shop shelf. This is something that the children can continue to do at any time throughout the year.

As ever, we appreciate your support.

Kind regards

Miss Burgen