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Dear Parents/Carers

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

Following my communication about World Book Day within our most recent newsletter, I am pleased to share that the book tokens have been delivered to school and we shall be sending them home with your child this week.

On World Book Day, your child can come dressed as their favourite book character or in non-uniform. If they feel more comfortable in their school uniform that is ok too. Over half term, I noticed the shops filling the shelves with expensive dressing up outfits, with not a book in sight! Please do not feel you have to buy or hire a world book day outfit, we would rather you spend the money on a new book for your child. As a busy working parent, I understand the pressure to find or make a costume. Please do not add any unnecessary pressure to your weekends – if it is easier to come in their favourite T-shirt and jeans that is perfectly acceptable.

Therefore, children may wear their uniform as normal, or for a donation of £1, all children have the option to wear:-

- Non-uniform
- Dress as a book character

The £1 donation will be added to your Scopay account as usual. Funds raised will go towards books for our infant and junior library. **Coming soon** -If you would like to donate a book to the library there will be information shared via our school noticeboard (bottom of the infant ramp). There will be QR codes to scan and donate and deliver a book to our school to boost the infant and junior libraries.

Book Swap

We would like to continue to promote our love of reading and in a sustainable way. Therefore, we are proposing a 'book swap' event. On Thursday 7th March or during the week of 4th -7th March, your child can donate a book (or books) they have finished reading and enjoying. We will give them a token for their donation which they can exchange for another book the following day. Once we have gathered the books together on the 7th we will organise and sort them into appropriate categories. On Friday 8th March the pupils will have the opportunity during the day to look at the donations and take a pre-loved book in exchange for their counter.

Year 6

Although Year 6 are on their residential trip during this week, if they wish to participate, they can bring their book donations into school on Monday 4th March. If time allows, on their return to school on Friday 8th March, we will allow them to select a pre-loved book. If they arrive back to school later than expected on the 8th, we will facilitate a slot to select a book the following week.

During World Book Day all classes will be spending time reading and sharing books and taking part in different activities.

We all have responsibilities as parents, as educators, as politicians, and as citizens to instil in our children a love of reading so that we can give them a chance to fulfil their dreams. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

E H Britten
Headteacher

