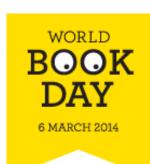
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World Book



Celebrating reading *everyday*& including: World Book Day

Thursday 6th March 2014





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Dear parents & carers,

School children all over the country are being encouraged to get reading on the Thursday after half term as part of the annual **World Book Day** (6.3.14).

During the week, your child can look forward to a special assembly focusing on favourite books. Your child will also be given a 'World Book Day' £1.00 voucher, which can be used in exchange for special editions or can be used as part payment towards buying any other book. In addition, it would also be appreciated if your child could begin thinking about their own special book

in order to share it with the rest of the class as part of our **'Speed Read'** event. If your child's favourite book is one from home, then

it would be helpful if s/he could bring it in <u>at the</u>

<u>beginning</u> of the first week back to begin preparing for
the 'Speed Read' session on the Thursday. Also,
we will be holding a 'Favourite Book & Blurb'

competition where children will be asked to produce an original design for a front cover (front) & blurb (back). Other activities will include: **Extreme Read** (bringing in photos of family members reading in the most unexpected of places), visitors &

staff sharing their best reads, making book marks plus a whole host of reading related activities!
Finally, we will be asking everyone to come dressed up as a book character on the day - so you may need to get thinking & gathering clothing & accessories!!

Please also support this event at home by encouraging your child to read & talk about their current reading

books. Visits to local libraries could also take place as well as getting out to city centre bookshops in order to take full advantage of using those World Book Day vouchers! *Happy reading!!*

Working together in the education of your child,

Karole Sargent

Helping your child with reading...



Here are some great ideas:

As parents & carers you are probably helping your child with reading much more than you may realise. If your home contains books, magazines and catalogues, if your child sees *you* reading, if you read to your child and talk together about familiar stories and if you also use printed materials to find things out, then your child already has a head start in this area!

- Remember that talking about reading is very important, so if your child is sometimes reluctant to read aloud, discussing a book will also help to develop reading skills.
- Concentrate on enjoyment and grasping the meaning rather than absolute accuracy.
- E Keep reading time relaxed, comfortable and pleasurable, in a quiet corner, with the television turned off.
- ☐ Talk about the cover and read the title before rushing your child into the text. Ask questions, such as: what do you think it will be about? What sort of book is it? Have you read one like this before?
- \square Look through the book, noticing interesting pictures and words, then read the opening together.

- Don't correct too quickly. If your child makes an error, suggest having another go, searching the pictures for a clue, sounding out the first letter or reading on before you 'tell' the problem word.
- If your child is really struggling, take over the reading yourself and let the teacher know.
- When your child brings home a book that they may have read before, ask for a summary before reading it again & then discuss the book at a deeper level than last time.
- As your child progresses, talk about authors, characters and plots or what new information has been learnt. Move onto higher reading skills such as inference (reading in between the lines), deduction (looking for clues) & motives (why characters have behaved in the ways that they have).
- If your child reads silently, ask him or her to re-tell the part that has been read and encourage the 'pointing out' of relevant sections in the text.
- Finally, remember reading should always be a wonderfully *enjoyable* pastime!

