

Tuesday 21st February 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Re: World Book Week March 2023

The week beginning **27th February - 3rd March** will be Woodhill's annual Book Week. This will be a week to further inspire and encourage the children's love of reading. Please see below for an outline of the exciting things happening before and during the week!

We are running an **Usborne 'Ready steady read' Readathon** and we'd love your child to join in. It's been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives (OECD). The Readathon will be launched on the **10th of February**. The forms and any outstanding contributions should be handed in by the **3rd March**. Ready Steady Read and Ready Steady Listen events are a fantastic way to encourage pupils to celebrate reading and develop a lifelong love of books.

Our school can also earn up to 60% of the total funds raised from the sponsored read or listen in FREE books for the school. Choose the books which will most excite your children, from new sets of class reads to fascinating fact books to fill our library.

World Book Day will be taking place on **Wednesday 1st March** and we hope you'll join us as we come together to celebrate our World Book Day in school.

Every year on World Book Day we are overwhelmed by the enthusiasm of our school community. Dressing up or bringing books into school will be a big part of the celebrations and what families particularly enjoy about World Book Day.

We will have lots of fun activities taking place throughout the week including reading to children, book swap, where children will have the opportunity to exchange books and exciting competitions. Please drop off your unwanted books in the box inside the Groves. Whether or not you've got a book to bring along to swap, come and browse and find something you might like to read on our world book day.

On the **23rd February** will be opening the Groves with a selection of materials to choose from to make. Please join us to see what they've made. We will be dressing up this year and making costumes but we also invite children to wear their pyjamas to celebrate reading at bedtime.

As we are encouraging children and families to make their own costumes to promote creativity, sustainability, recycling, see below for some examples of how you can get creative and inspirational!





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Friday 10th February – Friday 3rd March

Usborne 'Ready steady read' Readathon.

Monday 27th February

World book day school competition - Children will be asked to create a scene from their favourite story in a shoe box and brought into class.

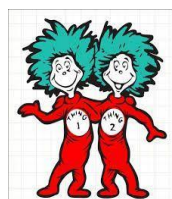


Tuesday 28th February

Classes will have an illustrator focus for the day and will be creating book covers in the style of their illustrator.

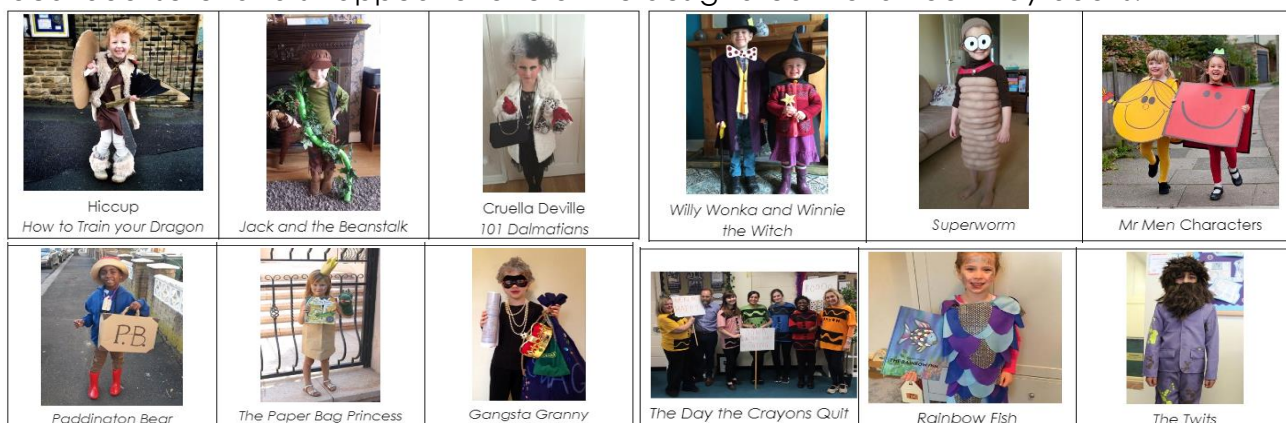
Wednesday 1st March

Books and Breakfast will be taking place in the bottom hall on this day from 8.30am. This is an opportunity for carers to have a delicious breakfast and share a book with their children! We will also be holding a special themed 'World Book Day lunch menu' if your child is normally a packed lunch and would like a special lunch please let the school office know by Friday 24th February, Menu is attached.



Dress up day! Children (and staff) will be able to come into school dressed as their favourite book character or in their favourite Pyjamas. It would be great if children could also bring a book that their character features in, to share with their class. We will have a special reading assembly and during the day the children will have an opportunity to buddy up with another class for a reading session. During assembly, Reception – Year 6 will showcase to the whole school their beautiful costumes. It will be a chance to celebrate the creativity of all children.

On this day children will receive a World Book Day £1 Book Token which can be taken to your local bookseller and swapped for one of the designated World Book Day books.



We're very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, which could not happen without the support of parents and carers - thank you.

Best wishes,
Miss Ogundare