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Dear Parents/Carers,



Book Week Monday 4th March 2024 - Friday 8th March 2024

Please find attached with this letter your digital World Book Day £1 book token, together with details of how to redeem your voucher. Paper copies are also available from the school offices.

We don't want to reveal too much ahead of Book Week, but rest assured we have an exciting week planned across the schools. This year the week will be based on the following texts:

Juniors - The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe, C.S. Lewis

Infants - The Tunnel, Anthony Browne

Nursery - We're Going on a Bear Hunt, Michael Rosen

The aims of our week are to:

- Encourage reading for pleasure and expose children to a wider range of texts
- Create an exciting hook to develop children's creative writing skills in a meaningful and purposeful way
- Enable all children to understand a clear story structure
- Enable children to explore the moral issues within a story and consider a different viewpoint
- Engage in creative activities linked to stories

Our World Book Day dress up day will be on Friday 8th March 2024 when children can come to school dressed as a book character and bring a copy of their favourite book to share with friends (no family heirlooms please). With half term looming if you have time, a great activity would be to make the costume with your child so you can share and discuss the book together.

Each child will also need a shoebox (or similar) in school by Monday 4th March for a class based activity.

We would also like to invite you into school so your child can share their Book Week learning as follows:

Infant/Nursery parents are invited to visit classrooms from 2.45pm on Thursday 14th March 2024

Junior parents are invited to visit classrooms on Friday 15th March 2024 at morning drop off.



Can we take this opportunity to remind you that even with older children, hearing them read aloud regularly is so important. It enables them to develop their fluency and expression (and is good practice for their Year 6 Head Boy/Head Girl /Sports' Captain speeches!) and to engage more fully in all areas of the curriculum and develop their vocabulary. Who wouldn't want that for their child?

We are also lucky enough to have free access to local public libraries in Addlestone, New Haw, Chertsey and Woking. All of whom run great, usually free, activities for the holidays.

Meantime, watch this space ... and thank you so much for your continued support!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debbie Jenkyn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D' and a long, sweeping tail on the 'y'.

Mrs. Debbie Jenkyn
Deputy Headteacher