



## Westfields Infant School

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6<sup>th</sup> February 2025

### World Book Day Celebrations – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Dear Parents,

In March, we will once again be celebrating a love of reading, authors, illustrators and books as we hold our annual World Book Day festivities! This day is important to promote a love of reading across our school as well as around the world. World Book Day is the biggest event of its kind and is marked in over 100 countries. The main aim of the celebrations is to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books which we will achieve through a variety of book-themed activities throughout the day that we hope will be memorable as well as valuable.

#### Dressing Up

As part of our celebrations, we would like to invite all of our pupils (and staff!) to come into school either dressed as a book character or in pyjamas on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March**. Please make sure that children are suitably comfortable and warm as they will be outside for playtimes. During the school day, all children will have the opportunity to share a cosy read with a child from a different year group across the federation and explore a book of their choice.

#### Character Spoons Competition!

After the success of last year's World Book Day Competition, we are holding a 'Spoon Character Competition'. Children are invited to create a book character using an old wooden spoon **at home**. They will need to choose a book, find an old wooden spoon and get creative! If the children choose to take part in this competition, they need to bring their 'Spoon Character' into school on **World Book Day (Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March)** for our judging and spoon gallery! Please ensure that all competition entries have the name of the book, author, child's name and class clearly labelled. There are some ideas on the next page to give the children a little inspiration but we are sure our creative pupils will be original in their designs.

#### World Book Day Tokens

Every year, the World Book Day team work in partnership with National Book Tokens, a variety of authors and bookshops to gift all children with a book token. This token can be exchanged for one of a fantastic selection of brand new and exclusive £1 books for 2025:



Alternatively, the £1 book token is redeemable against any book or audio book of their choice costing £2.99 or more, at a participating bookshop. Every child will be sent home with a book token which we hope you will all enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support. Keeping reading everyone!

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