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### **World Book Day – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

Dear Parents,

As I am sure you are all aware, World Book Day is a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and (most importantly) it's a celebration of reading! In fact, it's the biggest of its kind and is marked in over 100 countries around the world so of course we want to be part of this year's celebrations.

The main aim of World Book Day is to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and to add to the excitement of the day, we would like to invite all of our pupils and staff to come in to school **dressed up** as one of their favourite characters from a book on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. During the school day, the children will share a special reading themed assembly, have the opportunity to experience a range of exciting reading activities in their classes and share stories with their peers and staff members. Although Miss Redman has mentioned the annual event in her newsletters before half term, I wanted to share a few extra details and give you time to be creative in relation to costumes (which do not need to be bought and can be very simple or ideally homemade!). Of course we are all looking forward to seeing all of the children's (and staff's) costumes so please put your thinking caps on!

Another way this special day is marked is that all of our pupils will be given a World Book Day £1 book token. This can be exchanged for a specially published World Book Day £1 book, or is redeemable against any book or audio book of their choice costing £2.99 or more, at a participating bookshop. The World Book Day £1 book tokens will be handed out to your child as part of World Book Day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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