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Dear Parents / Carers,

This year World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March and the children will take part in a 'bedtime story' experience to celebrate. Each child will listen to a variety of stories read by adults throughout the day, hopefully sparking their love of reading and enable them to branch out and discover different genres.

To celebrate we are asking all children in school to bring their favourite book, comic or magazine to school on the day to share with their class. This will enable children to recommend books to one another and get ideas for future reading. Children will also be able to dress up as their favourite book character or come in their pyjamas to enjoy a bedtime story. Please remember that there is no need to purchase a costume, we love it when children are creative and resourceful and make their own original masterpieces!

As in previous years, all children in school will bring home a £1 book token enabling them to purchase a specially published £1 book, or alternatively use the voucher towards the cost of a book of their choice. The book tokens are valid from **Thursday 16 February to Sunday 26 March 2023**, here is the link for the books available for free with your token <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

We are also excited about a special themed lunch menu available that day, which will be communicated to you in due course.

In the run up to World Book Day, if your child would like to bring in a book to 'swap' they can. The books must be of good quality and have plenty of reading left in them. Your child will then be given the opportunity to choose a book to take home in its place.

If you look on the World Book Day website there are lots of ideas for fun activities, competitions and book recommendations. You can also access a range of FREE audiobooks via the following page 😊
<https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/>

We are very much looking forward to sharing everyone's favourite books and thank you in anticipation of your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Wheelwright
Reading Leader

