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Dear parents and carers,

World Book Day takes place this year on Thursday 2 March and we hope you'll join us as we come together to celebrate our World Book Day at Chapelford.



As a school, we place developing a passion and love of reading at the heart of our curriculum so we aim to celebrate this day in style! To celebrate this day, we have decided to have a dress up and activity day. This year we would love to invite children to dress up as their own character that they have created. This gives the children the chance to use their imaginations and combine all their favourite books and character traits (teaching staff will also be dressing up as a character too!) During the course of the day, children will take part in a variety of reading and writing based activities in their classroom, using their costumes as inspiration.



**Reading is dreaming with your eyes open...
So dream big and become who you want to be.**

Every year on World Book Day we are overwhelmed by the enthusiasm of our school community. We know that this year some of our families will find themselves in a difficult financial situation - we don't want our celebrations to be an additional burden. Dressing up or bringing books into school can be a big part of the celebrations and what families particularly enjoy about World Book Day. We encourage you to use things you already have at home to create your costume – the more imaginative and resourceful, the better!

World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for our children. To encourage and support them on their reading journey, every child will receive a £1 book token which can be exchanged for one free World Book Day 2022 book or £1 off a book costing £2.99 or more. You can find out more information about this on the token given or the World Book Day website.





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Could you turn a
WOODEN SPOON
into a
BOOK CHARACTER
for World Book Day 2023?

It's competition time! There's just under one month to go to World Book Day and we have a very creative competition running in the lead up to it. We want you to turn a wooden spoon into your favourite book character. Discuss your child's favourite books and decide on a character they'd like to create and then you can do this by drawing, painting, crafting or dressing up your wooden spoon. We will use the spoons to inspire the children to write their own stories on World Book day and we would love to keep the spoons for story retelling in role play and reading areas in class. However, if your child wishes to bring their creation home, they will be allowed to at the end of the day.



All entries into the competition will win a house point for their house team and a panel of judges will pick their favourite wooden spoon from each class to win a prize and 50 house points for their house team. We will be inviting our teachers to also take part in the competition and our team of Reading Ambassadors will pick their top three to win 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

We can't wait to see what you come up with and we look forward to celebrating this day with you.

Please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance if you have any questions.

Yours excitedly,

The English Team.

