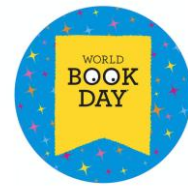




Friday 7th February

World Book Day: Thursday 6th March 2025

Celebrating the magic of reading!



Dear parents and carers,

We are excited to announce that World Book Day 2025 will be taking place on **Thursday 6th March** this year and we are already busy planning an exciting day for all our children. World Book Day is a national celebration where everyone comes together to promote and celebrate the joy of reading. This year, to embrace the theme of ***magic and fantasy***, we will be hosting a magical-themed World Book Day at Chapelford Primary School!

To make the day even more special, Chapelford Primary will be transformed into Chapelford School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, where the children will take part in a range of fun, engaging, and interactive activities that celebrate the magic of reading and writing.

Each year group will be exploring a carefully selected text that links to the theme. This will give the children the opportunity to apply their knowledge and skills in creative writing as they develop their own magical stories and characters. It promises to be a wonderful opportunity for all to tap into their imagination and enhance their storytelling abilities.

Of course, no magical day at Chapelford Village Primary School would be complete without some extra fun! The children will also be taking part in a Quidditch session and a Potions Masterclass, making it a day filled with hands-on, magical experiences.

We encourage all the children to come dressed as anything linked to the theme of *magic and fantasy*. Whether that's a fantastical beast, a witch or wizard, or a beloved character from your favourite fantasy story – the options are endless! For example, why not come as Matilda, the much-loved young witch? One of Julia Donaldson's fantastic creatures? The witch's cat might be your favourite character or perhaps Harry, Ron, or Hermione? The magical world is wide open for imagination, and we can't wait to see what the children come up with. There will be a costume parade where all children can showcase their costumes, and we are sure it will be a magical sight for all to see.

Of course, if your child prefers a different costume, they are more than welcome to wear that as well. The most important thing is for everyone to enjoy the day and have fun with books! Please note that the quidditch session will replace PE scheduled for this day. Your child can participate in quidditch in their costume so they do not need to come to school dressed in their PE kit.

Potato Book Character Competition – Get Creative!

Following the success of our previous competitions, such as story jars and wooden spoons, we are excited to bring even more fun to our school community with another book-themed challenge this year... and this time, it involves potatoes!

Your challenge is to turn an ordinary potato into a book character of your choice! It's up to you who or what you want your potato to become—be creative! You can use pens, paint, fabric, paper, card, recycled items, or any other craft materials you have at home to give your potato features and costumes.

Top Tip: If you want your potato to stand up, you can cut a section of a cardboard toilet roll to make a base. Your potato should sit comfortably inside it (unless you have a very unusually shaped potato, of course!).

We are excited to announce that our team of reading ambassadors will be judging the entries and selecting their favourite potato character from each class to win a special prize! In addition, each child who participates will earn 3 house points for their house team.

We would love to showcase all the fantastic efforts, so we'll be displaying the dressed-up potatoes outside classroom doors for families to admire. Please feel free to look at all the creative characters after school at 3:15 when you come for pick-up. We will leave the display outside until Friday morning when we kindly ask that you support is in collecting your child's contribution.

Thank you for your enthusiasm, and we can't wait to see all the wonderful potato book characters!



We are looking forward to a wonderful day of reading, creativity, and magic!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher directly.

Kind regards,

Mrs Webb-Breen, Mrs Gaulton and Mrs Cleary

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