## Queen Elizabeth High School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **World Book Day**

We will be celebrating World Book Day 2025 at QEHS on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, and in turn, will be raising money for our school library and the charity Read for Good.

At QEHS, we think that reading is a lifelong, purposeful and enjoyable hobby. We also want to provide positive experiences of reading and encourage students to get reading in their spare time.

## Did you know?

- 1 in 14 of all children don't own a book
- Children who own a book are three times more likely to read above age expected level
- Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of your future success more than your family circumstances, your parents' educational background or their income
- There is a strong link between regular reading for pleasure and mental wellbeing

A plethora of events will be running over the next week, including competitions, quizzes and raffles for students to take part in.

On World Book Day 2025, which falls on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, students and staff are encouraged to bring in £1 to wear 'Where's Wally?' colours and costumes to get into the World Book Day spirit; in aid of replenishing our school library. This is optional.

Additionally, we are running the first QE Book Pop-Up Stall on World Book Day and students are encouraged to put their £1 book tokens towards a new book. Since the full-range will not be available to choose from on the day, we will be encouraging pupils to submit their wishlists or pre-orders to Miss A Davies by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February to avoid disappointment. The full range can be found following the link below:

https://usborne.com/gb/?partnerCode=10073848&utm\_campaign=thebooknook&utm\_source=part\_ner-store&utm\_medium=link-share.

We will also be running the QE Big Book Swap where students are encouraged to 'swap in' in an appropriate old book that they have read and enjoyed with a new book to kickstart their reading habits.

Pupils can opt to take part in our World Book Day Raffle. Pupils can buy raffle tickets for £1 per strip as of tomorrow. The winner will be drawn on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March and will be gifted a minimum of £10 to spend on the Usborne Range (see link below). The more tickets sold = the bigger prize!!

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Finally, students in Years 7 and 8 will be encouraged to take part in the Readathon - a personalised reading challenge to raise money for children in hospital. By supporting the Readathon, you help provide a regular supply of brand-new books, along with storyteller visits, to brighten up the days of children in all the UK's main children's hospitals. For children in hospital, books and stories are particularly important – they comfort, distract, reassure and entertain. We are proud to be supporting Read For Good's mission this World Book Day and want to raise as much money as possible for this worthy cause. More information about this will be communicated regarding this via ClassCharts.

We are hopeful that these initiatives will create a buzz around school and will inspire our students to get reading!

Kind regards,

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