

## Sitwell Infant School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

## **World Book Day**

As part of our school's continued drive to promote a love of reading, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. On this day, **children are encouraged to come dressed as something/someone they would find in a book**; this could be either a fiction or non-fiction book. Should they choose to come dressed as someone from non-fiction, this could be an astronaut, sportsperson, scientist, chef, animal, etc.

In school, the children will be exploring a non-fiction book, and producing work based on this in the quest to raise the profile of these text types, and for us to show that we celebrate these books as much as fiction books. Please keep checking Google Classroom and Twitter throughout the week so that you can see what the children are doing. Each year group will be focusing on a different book that is linked to their current topic:

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For children, reading non-fiction texts is a vital part of the reading diet as it allows them to follow their interests and develop knowledge of a subject that they are interested in; these books also broaden horizons and help children make sense of the world. The main benefits of reading non-fiction are outlined below:

- 1. It can help children find their identity as a reader, allowing them to build and form their own opinions.
- 2. It will greatly improve their vocabulary, allowing improved communication.
- 3. It develops different reading skills; for example, children will be accessing a glossary for a deeper understanding of the words.
- 4. It can stimulate a love of wider reading as children start to vary their reading material.
- 5. Aspirations can be raised if they are reading about inspirational individuals.

Thank you for your continued support. Yours sincerely, Mrs K Peart Headteacher

















