



The Federation of St Elphege's Catholic Schools

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Dear parents and guardians,

As you may be aware, St Elphege's Book Week will be held in the week beginning **23rd February 2026** (the first week back after half term). In recent years, we have included an initiative known as '**Mystery Reader**', where someone known to our pupils, but not connected to their class, comes in to share a favourite childhood story.

This year, we would like to **extend this opportunity to our parents and guardians**. As a Mystery Reader, you will (as a surprise) come into your child's class to read and discuss a story that you enjoyed while growing up. If you do not have a favourite childhood book, or if the book you have in mind is not suitable for your child's age group, your child's class teacher will be happy to help in choosing one if you are chosen.

If this is something you would like to do, **please follow the link below and fill in the form**. If you have more than one child, we kindly ask that you complete a separate form for each child.

<https://forms.gle/nqxvsjw9MJTVm3C76>

Please note that the final selection of **Mystery Readers remains at the discretion of class teachers**. While we will get back to all who express their interest in being a mystery reader, we will not be able to accommodate every volunteer due to the limited time available.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Jones (Y5) and Miss Dall
English Coordinators