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Thursday 6th February 2025

World Book Week 2025

Dear Parents and carers,

I am excited to announce the plans for our upcoming **World Book Week.** We are fortunate enough to be welcoming more than one visitor to our school to support the excitement. We have an early visitor launching the increased focus on reading on Tuesday 25th February, hosting storytelling sessions for all children from Pre-school to Year 6. Throughout the following week of Monday 3rd March until Friday 7th March, children across the school will be celebrating reading with a number of opportunities planned to inspire a lifelong love of reading, including theatre visitors, dressing up and competitions.

Tuesday 25th February 2025

We are excited to welcome Mister Storyfella into school to share traditional tales from around the globe as part of our launch into World Book Week! All children will experience an assembly and workshop with the storyteller. His books will be on sale at the end of the day in the library area. If you would like to pre-order any books please complete the order form and return to the school office. Children who have pre-ordered will have additional time to meet the author and get their book signed! If you do not pre-order there is no need to worry, you will be able to purchase books on the day.



Monday 3rd March 2025

On Monday, our new daily mystery reading challenge will launch: **Who is the Forgetful Reader?** Each day, clues will be posted to help children detect who the forgetful reader could be. Please look out on class twitter pages for this to engage with the fun at home! Children will also get the opportunity to solve the mystery at the end of the day within their classes. We will reveal the forgetful readers on Friday afternoon.



Bristol Old Vic Theatre Company will be hosting **drama workshops** set around reworking fairytales with Year 3 and Year 4.



Tuesday 4th March 2025

Bristol Old Vic Theatre Company will be hosting **drama workshops** set around reworking fairytales with Year 5 and Year 6.



Wednesday 5th March 2025

During Wednesday, children will be invited to watch a **Poetry Slam!** Following a week of learning as poets, the poetry champions who have been working alongside Miss Melson and Mr Alfieri will be hosting an opportunity for all children to perform their poems to an audience!













Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England



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Children are invited to **dress up as a book character**. As last year was so successful, we are encouraging families to re-use as much as possible and we challenge you to <u>not buy anything new</u> to create your home-made outfits. We will also be promoting this approach with children. As an Eco-school we are promoting the 5 R's which are Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose and Recycle. Please see some inspiration below:









Children will also take part in a team talk book club on this day, hear an end of day story from a reading buddy from their partnered class and get involved in a whole STOP, DROP and READ. On this day your child will bring a book token home that can be exchanged for a free book at local stores (please see token for stores accepting tokens).

Friday 7th March 2025

We will be running our famous **World Book Week Bake Off** for children across the school. There will be a winner in EYFS, KS1 and KS2, voted for by the librarians' pupil group. Children are invited to be imaginative and bake a character or setting inspired from a book and bring it into school on Friday morning ready to enter the competition. Please see some inspirational pictures below.

We will be selling the cakes after school in the HALE building to raise money for the PTFA.









Thank you for your continued support of reading. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

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