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Dear Parents and Carers,



Wednesday 22nd February 2023

On **Friday 3rd March 2023** we are celebrating World Book Day. At Leopold Primary School we value reading very highly and will be taking part in this special day to celebrate the joy of books and reading.

As part of the day we are asking for the children to come to school **dressed as their favourite book character.** We would greatly appreciate it if you could kindly donate £1 to our school library project, to improve our library furniture and book selection.

Children are invited to bring in their **favourite book from home to share** with their class. They will also hear teachers reading their favourite stories.

Children will be taking part in a **book swap** on Friday 3rd March. We would like children to bring in a book that they can swap for a different one.

As always, each child will receive a *World Book Day £1 token* to be redeemed at a retailer of your choice.



From Monday 27th March 2023 - Friday 31st March 2023 we will have book fair in the school hall, children will also have the opportunity to visit with their class and with yourselves after the school day. More information to follow! This helps our young readers to try out new genres and authors, helping them to build their own imaginative home libraries.

Throughout the month, children will be participating in lots of exciting activities, sharing their own favourite book from home, sharing teacher's favourite books, learning poems to perform to the school and entering a competition to win a book! They will also have a very special visit from author Andrew Weale.

We look forward to seeing your child dressed up for the special day on Friday 3rd March 2023.

Thank you for your co-operation

Miss Beyene

English Lead











World Book Day Friday 3rd March

Reading for pleasure can look like:

- Listening to an audiobook and available from libraries
- Reading on a device
- Reading the football programme
- Reading a magazine or newspaper
- Listening to someone read aloud
- Reading manga or comic strips

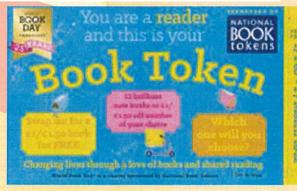
Dress up as your favourite book character

Top Tips for dressing up

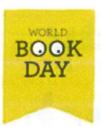
- Choose a book your child is happy to talk about.
- Start with things you might already have tracksuits, t-shirts (inside out to make them plain) and pyjamas make a good base for a costume.
 - Focus on the parts of the character that make them stand out - use facepaint or simple props to show these

Bring in a book to swap

Bring in your favourite book to share with the class







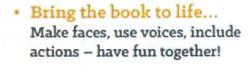
Sharing stories together

Children love spending time looking at books with adults. It makes a big difference to their futures to **spend 10 minutes a day sharing a story**. There are no right or wrong ways to read out loud but sometimes it can be tricky to know where to begin. Here are a few tips and ideas to get you started:



· I wonder...

Ask open questions about how characters are feeling or what might happen next or why things are in the illustration.





What have you seen there?
 Follow their interests.

 That's made me feel...
 Let your child know how the events of the story have affected you.

Oo look at that!
 Let them know what you have noticed.

· Again, again...

Re-reading is a great source of comfort for children— and a chance to spot things that you didn't see first time round. Challenge yourself to spot something new each time.



Check out these free resources

https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/ https://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-storycorner/