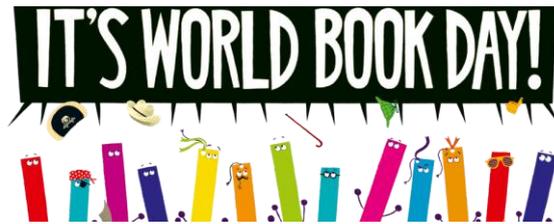




Thursday 25th February, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,



World Book Day is possibly the most important day in the reading calendar and this year, Bowmansgreen will be celebrating this event on **Thursday, 5th March**. To celebrate this special day, whether you are learning remotely or at school, we would like all children to come into school or join your online morning meeting in pyjamas (to promote reading at bedtime) or dressed as your favourite book character.

Book Token

Your child will also receive a £1 World Book Day Token on Monday 8th March. This can either be exchanged for one of ten special £1 World Book Day books or used to get £1 off any book costing £2.99 or more. To ensure that children have more time to use their token, participating bookshops will honour tokens beyond the 28 March, whilst stocks last. Each retailer will decide whether they are able to offer £1 off other children's titles. You can find out more about the books at www.worldbookday.com/books/.

Masked Reader

This school project is based on the popular TV series 'The Masked Singer'. Teachers will record videos of themselves reading, hidden behind a mask. These will be uploaded onto the English page on the Bowmansgreen website on Thursday the 4th March for children to watch and try to guess who's behind the mask.

House Competitions

For our World Book Day House Competition we would like you to create your favourite book in a jar at home. Please see the example pictures below. All entries must be brought into school by Monday 8th March. Our House Captains will then pick a winner from EYFS, KS1, Y3/Y4 and Y5/Y6 winner. Winners will be announced by Friday 12th March. Winners get 5 tokens for their house and runners up get 1 token. We look forward to seeing your entries!

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There are many ways you can celebrate world book day if you are at home. Please see the links below to find out ways of celebrating at home.

- The Author & Illustrator Academy beams authors & illustrators right into classrooms so children can meet the creative minds behind their favourite books. Each inspirational 'lesson' is a complete package with downloadable activities, creative challenges, resources and extracts to go with each video. <https://www.worldbookday.com/online-masterclasses/>
- Share A Story Corner videos have familiar characters and easy to follow stories, and tips for reading together. <https://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner/>
- Watch live sharing of stories on Thursday 4th March. <https://www.worldbookday.com/events/>
- Enter a variety of competitions to win some exciting prizes!
<https://www.worldbookday.com/play-and-win/competitions/>
- Watch a World Book Day message from author S F Said.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSzWn1z6ciA>
- Register to take part in a 45-minute webinar session which will include a live presentation by an author, giving pupils a behind-the-scenes look at their books, characters and writing process. Pupils will also be treated to an activity and the chance to have their questions answered – Live!
<https://www.puffinschools.co.uk/meet-an-author/>
- A 30-minute Live Lesson, hosted by CBBC's Ben Shires and Bitesize Daily's Mr Smith, tied into key curriculum objectives for Key Stage 2, on the morning of 4th March 2021 at 11:30am.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/world-book-day-2021-live-lesson/z2thm39>
- Try a 30 day free trial to vooks where online story books are brought to life. <https://www.vooks.com/>

So, don't forget to join in and find 10 minutes on World Book Day (and every day!) to read with your child.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,

Miss E Ottley