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Dear Parent / Carer,

As part of our drive to maintain, promote and engage pupil interest in reading, the school will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March 2019. World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books, especially for children. Academic research highlights the significant benefits of reading: students who read regularly are more successful in their GCSE examinations, especially in the core subjects of English and Maths. It is with this in mind that we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion.

On World Book Day, your child can come to school dressed as their favourite character from any book. Our school staff will also taking part in our celebrations by dressing as their own favourite characters from books. Activities throughout the day will be designed to promote and celebrate the importance of reading. If your child chooses not to dress up on the day, they must wear full school uniform as usual. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

- Best individual pupil costume – winner will receive £25.
- Best individual staff costume – winner will receive £15.
- Best group costume (pupils) – winners will receive a sweet hamper.

To further help our students embark or continue with their reading journey, all pupils will receive a £1 World Book Day Book Token. 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. You can find out more about the books at worldbookday.com/books. Older students may want to use these to buy revision guides or revision workbooks to help with their GCSE studies. Your child will receive their token on World Book Day and can be redeemed at most UK bookshops. Please help your child to use it on or around World Book Day by visiting your local bookshop (if you need help finding one, visit booksellers.org.uk/bookshopsearch).

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr T McCabe
Headteacher

Mrs C Wood
Whole School Literacy Coordinator



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