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Hawthorn World Book Day Friday 6th March 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have a fantastic, fun-filled day of activities planned for World Book Day. We would like your child to dress up as a character from a book. Please do not feel pressured into buying or renting expensive costumes, often the best costumes are ones that have been put together using items from around the home and a sprinkling of imagination. Please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher if you are unsure of a suitable character for your child.

To make our World Book Day a memorable experience, we would like to invite you or someone close to the family to come into school and take part in a book-based activity and then share a story or two with your child. This is a wonderful opportunity to relax and enjoy each other's company whilst being immersed in the wonderful world of books.

Parents and carers of our EYFS and KS1 children are invited to join us in the morning, coming into the classroom at the beginning of the day where you will need to sign in. We envisage this lasting until 10.00am. A bell will be rung to signal the end of the session.

For our KS2 classes the session will be during the afternoon, starting at 2.00pm and finishing at 3.10pm. Visitors to this session will be asked to enter school through the main school entrance and then sign in at their child's classroom. A bell will be rung to signify the end of the session when we ask that all visitors leave the school to wait outside for their children in the usual spaces.

Other activities to take note of during the day include:

Book Exchange

The highly-popular book exchange is back! Please send in one or two books with your child that they no longer read. Your child will then be able to exchange for another book that someone else has donated. We will issue a token to all children who want to take part in the book exchange – they have to bring a book to take a book, that way it is fair to everyone. Any left-over books will be used to replenish our playground book boxes.

Competition Time – Book in a Jar

We are running a 'Book in a Jar' competition to celebrate World Book Day. Children are invited to think about how a favourite book, could be represented in a simple jar. There are some examples attached to this letter for you to have a look at. Any clear jar can be used: a coffee jar, jam jar or other. You can put carefully chosen items to represent your book into your jar, selected quotes from your book, perhaps even clues about its characters or setting. Please make sure that any 'Book in a Jar' competition entries are clearly labelled with the book that is being represented, your child's full name and class.

All entries must be in school on the morning of Friday 6th March for judging.

Winners will be announced on Monday 9th March and the jars will be available for viewing by the whole school as part of our World Book Day celebrations. The winners will receive a book from the book fair.



Share a million stories

Hawthorn has been registered with World Book Day organisation to take part in the national aim of sharing one million books between 27th February and 29th March. More details to follow about this exciting activity.



We really look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on World Book Day. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,
Liz Blakeley (Reading Lead)

Book in Jar ideas

