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13th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to celebrate **World Book Day on Thursday 5th March 2026**, with the theme **Read Around the World**. The day will begin with a special whole-school assembly to launch our theme and inspire the children as they set off on their reading journey around the globe.

Throughout the day, children will explore stories, poems, books and information texts from different countries and cultures. Each class will choose an area of the world to focus on and celebrate together.

Destination Dress Up!

To link with our theme, we are inviting children to dress in the colours of their country's flag or as their favourite book character that might like to visit that country.

Please do not worry about buying anything special as this is intended to be as stress-free as possible. Simple ideas such as accessories, scarves, or everyday clothes that fit the colour theme are perfect.

Reading Passports, Bingo and Prizes!

Each child will receive a Reading Passport, which they will use to collect reading stickers as they explore books from around the world. We will also send home a **Reading Bingo** activity to enjoy together at home. You can add photos or notes if you wish or simply sign each square when it has been completed and return to school by Friday 27th March.

Sharing and Celebrating

Children will have the opportunity to share what they have read and learned with their Key Stage peers, helping to celebrate reading across the whole school. **They are also welcome to bring in their favourite book from home to share and enjoy during the day.**

Book List

Along with this letter, we have included a recommended list of 100 children's books. This list is designed to inspire a love of reading and introduce children to a wide range of authors, cultures and stories. You might like to look for titles in your local library or bookshop. You may already have some of these books at home!

How You Can Help

You can support World Book Day by helping your child complete the **Reading Bingo home activity**, talking about their reading, and choosing a simple outfit for World Book Day.

If you have any **stories, books or experiences linked to different countries or cultures** that you would be happy to share (by sending a book in or coming into school to read), we would love to hear from you.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to a fun and inspiring day celebrating **Reading Around the World!**

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