



Reading Newsletter



Summer 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,



World Book Day

We had a wonderful day celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 6th March! It was great to see the children in their costumes and their comfy bedtime wear of onesies and pyjamas. Throughout the day, the children had the opportunity to share a bedtime story with the children from their paired class and enjoy a delicious cup of hot chocolate.



With the focus on 'bedtime reading' and the benefits of reading before bed, we hope you have engaged in embedding this routine with your child. Here are a reminder below:

Benefits of Reading Before Bed:

- ✚ *Strengthens Parent-Child Bond – Creates a special, calming moment of connection between parent and child.*
- ✚ *Boosts Imagination & Creativity – Engaging with stories stimulates a child's creativity and curiosity.*
- ✚ *Enhances Vocabulary & Language Skills – Exposure to new words and sentence structures strengthens communication skills.*
- ✚ *Develops a Love for Reading – Establishing a bedtime reading habit fosters a lifelong appreciation for books.*
- ✚ *Encourages Focus & Listening Skills – Following a story improves attention span and comprehension.*
- ✚ *Supports Emotional Development – Stories help children understand and process emotions in a safe way.*
- ✚ *Reduces Screen Time – A book before bed replaces overstimulating screens, aiding better sleep.*
- ✚ *Instils a Sense of Routine – A consistent bedtime reading ritual signals to the brain that it is time to wind down.*



"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax all you need is a book!"
– Dr. Seuss



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World Book Day Competition:

We were delighted to see such fantastic entries for the 'READ YOUR WAY' competition. Here are our winners below.



Nursery
Reception
Year 1
Year 2
Year 3
Year 4
Year 5
Year 6

Raffie
Alessandro
Ben
Verray
Jessica
Leonardo
Sinead
Valentina



Scholastic Book Fair:

After a very successful book fair in the Autumn term, we are pleased to inform you that we will be running another Book Fair straight after half term. Please note that we will be accepting both card and cash payments for the purchase of books and merchandise. If you would like to browse the books in advance, please follow the link:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents>

We look forward to seeing you there!



Dates: Monday 2nd June – Friday 6th June

Times: 3.15 – 3.30pm

Where: KS2 Playground, under the canopy.

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