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Dear Families,

We could not be more excited about the upcoming, World Book Day! As you know, we have been having a huge push on reading in school over this year and the philosophy of this national event fits perfectly with our school one! This year is the 25th anniversary of the event and the theme is **"You are a reader,"** a message that we firmly believe in for every single member of our school community.

This week we encourage children to share themselves as a reader. Each child is invited to bring in their favourite book with a note attached about why they like it so much. These will then be displayed in classrooms and, over the week, staff/ children will have the chance to share and read extracts from the titles. Please make sure your child's name is written in their favourite book. We hope this will encourage children to see themselves as readers, learn about different books they might like and talk about a variety of authors etc. Each day teachers in the class will make time to read and share the books that the children have brought in.

We will be giving out the £1 World Book Day vouchers which can be used in bookshops and a number of supermarkets with lots of great titles made especially for £1.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week different members of staff will be providing a 'Books at Bedtime' story to children over Zoom at 5.30pm – more details of who, what, when and how to join to follow!

We will, of course, be inviting the children to dress up for World Book Day. We suggest an optional donation of £1 to raise money for our school libraries. Visit worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas for inspiration.

Finally, we would like to invite children to enter our, '**design a reading postcard competition**' – we will provide each child in the school with a template to create their designs on, and will be choosing one winner in EYFS/ KS1 and one winner in KS2 who will have their designs made into postcards for our new pin page award! Winners and runners up will also receive a special reading prize. The closing date for all entries will be Monday 7th March.

Happy reading!

Apologies that we had not sent this prior to the half-term break. We thought we had sent it, but clearly hadn't - it was our mistake. I hope it doesn't cause too much stress for you.

Best Wishes,

Mr J Lumber Mrs Tarchetti

Head Teacher Deputy Head

