

Thursday 13<sup>h</sup> February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This year **World Book Day** falls on **Thursday 7th March**, however we will be celebrating all week starting on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

World Book Day is the biggest celebration of books and reading ever mounted in the UK. It began as a UNESCO initiative and is celebrated in countries around the world. It promotes books and reading for enjoyment of all encouraging children to explore the pleasures of literature and reading by providing them with the opportunity to have a book of their own.

**Children will be receiving their £1 book token** which can be spent on one of the specially made £1 books available in bookshops and supermarkets or it can be used for £1 off any other book.

If you would like more information about World Book Day and the £1 books available, then please visit the World Book Day website at [www.worldbookday.com/books](http://www.worldbookday.com/books).

At Enfield Heights Academy, we decided to celebrate the whole **World Book Week** from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March and allow everyone to immerse themselves in wonders of children's literature: having fun with many events and activities throughout the week.

**Here are the highlights of the week:**

**Monday 3rd March**

**Masked Reader:** Children will have the opportunity to listen to five masked readers and they will have to guess who they are. This is going to be an exciting event; there could be some familiar faces and some surprises along the way! Last year's unveiling went down a blast.

**Guess the Staff:**

Children will be shown pictures of staff members whereby their faces have been covered by their favourite novel; children will have to guess who the staff member behind the book is and then have the opportunity to ask that staff member questions about their favourite book.

**Reading Fundraising Stall:**

Staff will be selling reading resources, such as bookmarks and reading bands, to raise funds for the school. The money will be used to purchase more books for the new outdoor reading area, which will be launched on World Book Day.

**Tuesday 4th March**

**3D Character-Making Competition:**

Children will bring their creations into the hall, where a gallery will be set up to showcase their work. The creations will be judged, and prizes will be awarded based on their creativity. Please encourage and support your children with this competition.

**Wednesday 5th March**  
**Rainforest Workshop**

Children will use the power of listening in exciting and creative ways. They will take part in workshops and navigation games using only their hearing, uncover the hidden layers of rainforest soundscapes, and explore how the sounds of the jungle change from dawn to dusk. They will also experiment with ancient music-making techniques inspired by nature, proving that sometimes, the best way to learn is to simply listen.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March:**

**Dress Up Day / Unveiling of the Masked Readers in Assembly**

The children and staff are invited to **dress up as their favourite book character**. Please don't feel you have to spend money on a costume. Costumes made at home are fun to create and look just as good, or a costume could be borrowed from a friend. We will have a costume competition for the **most creative costume** in each class and all the class winners will get a bookmark and a certificate.

Please help your child to design a costume to show off characteristic features of their favourite story character. Please send in their favourite book to school too. Children will be expected to talk about the choice of their character and why they like the book they have brought to school.

We will start the day with a special assembly where the unveiling of the masked reader will also take place.

**Reading Buddies:** In the afternoon, reading buddies will make this day super special! The children will enjoy reading buddies and join another class for a session of reading for pleasure together, e.g. 15 children from year 2 will go up to year 5 and 15 children from year 5 will go down to Year 2. Younger readers particularly Reception children will benefit from stories read to them by older readers from 6 to promote our Force for Positive Change driver as well as reading for enjoyment.

A bell will ring throughout the morning at various times, to signal STOP (what you are doing) and READ. There will be a comedic spin to this year.

**Book Swap:**

Our Outreach Team will set a stand for BOOK SWAP from 3pm until 4 pm outside the main office. Please bring a book from home to be swapped for another book on offer

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

**Mega Story**

Throughout the week, each class will contribute their ideas to a Mega Story (whole school write) that will be read and celebrated during Friday's Assembly. The mega story's theme will all be based around our adventure.

**Parents/Carers' involvement:**

We warmly invite you to take part in it if you can; we welcome all the parents and carers who could come and read stories to their child's class in English or your mother tongue to celebrate multicultural aspects of our EHA community. Please speak to Miss Michael or your child's class teacher if you can help. It would be great for children to hear stories in different languages. Thank you.

**We hope that the World Book Week will be a massive success.**

With my very best wishes,



Headteacher

