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### World Book Day 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, we will be celebrating 'World Book Day' along with the rest of the nation. This year's theme is: *'Read Your Way'*, which calls on everyone to *"let go of pressure and expectations, giving children a choice – and a chance – to enjoy reading."*

With this in mind, every class will be spending the morning sampling different genres of books and enjoying activities based on the stories they have read.

#### **Dressing Up**

Children are invited to dress up as their favourite character from a book if they wish. We appreciate that this is not for everyone so please note, it is NOT compulsory, however uniform must be worn if your child chooses not to dress up.

#### **'DJA Read THEIR Way' House Competition**

We will also be holding a House competition that week – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March - where children are invited to send in photos, video clips or drawings of how they read 'THEIR way'. This could be:

- Reading to a relative or pet
- Reading in their favourite spot
- Reading upside down or in their favourite position

Whatever or however they do it, we want to see it!

We aim to share these on our website and Social Media. There will be a prize awarded for the four winners (one from each house) so ensure you clearly state your name, class and house along with your entry.





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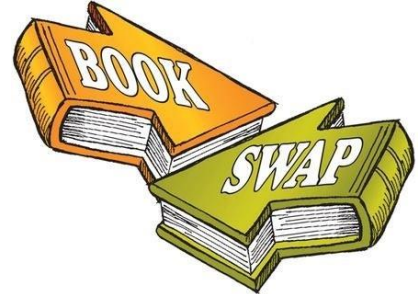
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### **Book Swap Event**

Our enthusiastic Reading Ambassadors and School Council are working in collaboration to host our very first 'Book Swap' event. On World Book Day itself, children can bring in any **suitable children's book** which they have finished reading and would like to donate for others to enjoy, and 'swap it' for one that they would like to read.



### **A note for Year 6 parents and carers**

As you are aware, Year 6 are attending a 'Crucial Crew' event that afternoon. Students in Year 6 may still dress up but must bring in their uniform to change into for the trip. Year 6 will still be participating in World Book Day celebrations throughout the morning.

Yours faithfully,

*Mrs G Waymouth and Ms S Sangani*