



St Paschal Baylon Catholic Primary School

Following In The Footsteps Of Christ

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that, this year, we will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 6th March**.

On this special day, we invite your child to come to school dressed as their favourite character from any book or in their pyjamas with their favourite bed time story. Please do not feel the need to go to any expense. Often, the simplest, home-made costumes are just as effective.

As part of our drive to maintain, promote and engage pupil interest in reading, the children will be participating in lots of exciting activities throughout the day! One of these activities will involve designing a National Book Token gift card that will be entered into a competition to win hundreds of pounds worth of book tokens for our school and for the winner themselves.

World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading. In order to help your child along their reading journey, they will receive a £1 World Book Day book token that can be exchanged for a special £1 World Book Day book. Please help your child to use it on or around World Book Day by visiting your local participating bookshop.

Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous – so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

Remember to follow your child's year group X page to see some photographs of our celebrations.

The following day, Friday 7th March, we will be holding a Book Drive for children to donate any new or pre-loved books to the Children's Book Project. Miss Horton and some of our Rights Ambassadors will be on the gate in the morning collecting donations that will be given to children with few books of their own. Your book donation will be a gift a child can open again and again!

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Mutch and Miss Thompson

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