Wootton Bassett Infants' School



4th - 8th March 2024

Reading is at the heart of everything we do at WBI, and so we hope you'll join us as we come to celebrate **World Book Day** this year with a week of book related celebrations and activities. We want to focus on reading

for pleasure and encouraging a love of books and we hope to do this by sharing books and enjoying lots of fun, book related activities.

Our focus books this year have all been written and/ or illustrated by David Litchfield and the teachers have planned lots of activities around these books for the week of 4th March.

Reception: Planet Awesome



Year 1: Lights on Cotton Rock



Year 2: Grandad's Secret Giant



Library Visit -Mon 4th

We will be visiting Wootton Bassett Library where the children will enjoy a story before finding out how to use the library system.

If your child is not a member of the town library, it is free and easy to join. You simply need to pop in with some ID and the library staff will help you to apply.

West End in Schools Wednesday 6th

The children will be taking part in a book related dance session led by West End in Schools. This has been funded by the PTA so there is no charge. We <u>won't</u> be dressing up but we have lots of activities planned that will celebrate reading and books.

<u>'Start with a Story!' - Thursday 7th</u>

We would love to invite you in to share books with your child(ren) in the morning. **School will** open at 8.45 and you are welcome to come into the classrooms to look at and read together the wonderful books we have in school.

<u>If they would like to, the children can bring in their favourite book to share with their classmates.</u> (Please make sure their name is written in the book).

'All Things Books' - Thursday 7th

We will celebrate all things 'books' in our assembly and the children's paintings of their favourite book characters will be displayed in the school hall.

The children will be able to choose the £1 book they like the look of by creating their own WBD token.

The school library will be open to borrow/ share books between **3.00 and 4.00pm** on that day.

Book Swap - Friday 8th

We will be holding our annual book swap so please send your child in with a book they no longer want to read, and they can choose a new one (Please ensure it is in good condition and has no ripped or coloured on pages).

BEDTIME STORIES

We will send you a bedtime story every evening throughout the week. So, look out for the text!

ENJOY A LOVE OF READING

Being able to read is the single biggest gift we can give our children. Reading unlocks success across the whole curriculum and is instrumental in developing language, vocabulary, selfesteem, knowledge, attention and memory. Your child depends on your support with their reading journey by daily reading and

sharing books together. Please click on the links if you would like some ideas when reading with your child.

Phonics with Mrs Smith

<u>https://</u> www.youtube.com/ watch? Reading with Mrs Smith

<u>https://youtu.be/</u> BYkgv4NTjek-Reading-



What else do we do in School?

Reading

Raffle—every 5 times you read at home with your child and record it in their reading record, they receive a raffle ticket which is entered into a termly draw to win a prize.

Book Swap—We have a permanent book swap located in the hall entrance , where you can borrow books at any time.

100 books to read—before you leave WBIS work your way through the lists. Available on the website or from the office.

More information about reading in school can be found here **Reading (woottonbassett**inf.wilts.sch.uk)

As you can see we

have lots of exciting activities and events planned for the whole week and we really hope to celebrate everything reading.

Check out the World Book Day website for more things to do at home. <u>World Book Day About Us</u>

We're very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, which could not happen without the support of parents and carers - thank you for everything you do. Happy Reading!