

# Wootton Bassett Infants' School

2nd - 6th March 2026

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**  
WEEK

As you know, 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



National Year of  
Reading 2026

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. For free books to share why not take a look here: <https://www.worldbookday.com/book-types/read-along-video/>



Our focus book this year is **"Bothered by Bugs"**

written by Emily Gravett. The teachers have

planned lots of lessons and activities around this book.

## Library Visit - Mon 2nd

Proud to support  
The National Year  
of Reading 2026

To start the week off, each class will visit Royal Wootton Bassett Library where the children will have a look around, share a story and learn about the library and the library system. Children will be escorted up to the library by staff but if you are free and would like to help walk please see **your child's teacher for timings.**

Do you know it is really easy to join our local library?

You simply need to pop in with some ID and the library staff will help you to apply.

The library also has our **100** books to read list so why not pick some off our list while visiting.



## Weds 4th

The children will be taking part in a book related dance session led by West End in Schools. This year the story will be Pinocchio. This has been funded by the PTA so there is no charge.

West End  
in Schools

## 'Stay & Share' - Thurs 5th

You are invited to stay and share books with your child(ren) on this morning. **School will open at 8.45.** Please go to your child's classroom/s to look at and read together. You can either chose a book from the classroom reading corner or if they would like to, your child can bring in their favourite book to share with you and their classmates (Please make sure their name is written in the book).

## 'All Things Books' - Thurs 5th

We will celebrate 'All Things Books' in our assembly and the children will paint their favourite book characters which will be displayed in the school hall.

The children will design and create their own World Book Day book tokens and will be able to choose from the WBD £1 books at our little pop up book shop.

We will **NOT** be dressing up but we have lots of activities planned that will celebrate reading and books.



## Book Swap - Fri 6th

We will finish the week by holding our annual book swap. Please send your child in with a book they no longer want to read, (Please ensure it is in good condition and has no ripped or coloured on pages) and they will swap it for a new book to bring home to share with you.

Don't forget it's the **National Year of Reading**. For top tips and support with all things reading we have compiled some information to help you along the way.

Help them grow into confident, curious readers - Between 5 and 10, children's passions explode -dinosaurs, dancing, gaming, art the outdoors. These interests are your biggest ally.

Click here to see how you can get involved: <https://goallin.org.uk/get-involved/families/>

The National Year of Reading will give you ideas, encouragement and simple way to keep reading fun and part of everyday life, whatever your child loves.

There are lots of activities to be found:

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/filter/?age=5-8>

Phonics with

Mrs Smith

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RQWTI1cairc->

Reading with

Mrs Smith

<https://youtu.be/BYkqv4NTjek-Reading->

For some ideas about how to read with your child(ren) and what questions and support to give, click on the links and watch Mrs Smith read with her child.

Don't forget to visit the reading page on our website with information, support and resources to help your child as they learn to read.

<https://woottonbassett-inf.wilts.sch.uk/reading>

Is your child a member of the library?  
It's FREE and can make a real difference!

Struggling to read doesn't just hold a child back in school - it holds them back in life.

- Longer Life Expectancy
- Improved Mental Health
- Career Prospects
- Better Qualifications
- Higher Confidence

Join by scanning the QR code or visit <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries/join-the-library>

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## 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, from the office or at our local library.

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. [World Book Day About Us](#)

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!**