

## **Scholastic Book Fair and World Book Day 2024**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Less than a month to go! World Book Day is just around the corner and before this the Book Fair shall be arriving at Heronshaw school! These two exciting events are jam-packed full of activities to celebrate the love of reading and the joy that sharing a book can bring. The focus of this year's World Book Day is all about **reading your way**; the importance of children listening to a range of books, choosing books and discussing books they'd like to read in future.

We are very excited to be celebrating this year's World Book Day by hosting our theme:

### **Little People, Big Dreamers...**

**...who has inspired you to dream big?** on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024.**

This year on World Book Day staff and your little people are invited to come to school dressed up someone who has inspired them to dream big! From parents, grandparents, key workers, celebrities, film and book characters; who has inspired your little person to aspire to reach their goals? Dress to impress to spotlight the important role models driving our **little people** to be **big dreamers**. There will be the opportunity to showcase in our World Book Day Assembly all costumes and will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place for costumes per year group.



### **World Book Day Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Each class will be focussing on one of the non-fiction *Little People, Big Dreams* books, sharing who they are, how and why they are significant figures and carrying out an activity linked to that inspiring figure.

As well as a host of exciting activities throughout the day, such as swapping classes, reviewing and picking stories, we have invested in an 'author and illustrator' live event with award winning author Helen Stephens, author of *How to Hide a Lion* through the *Children's Bookshow*. Helen will share her stories, talk about how she makes her work and draw live, giving children the magical experience of watching her create a character right before their very eyes!



Our class book café was received so well last year we invite each child to bring in, if they can, a book from home which they have previously enjoyed and would now like to swap with another child in their class. Please note there is **no expectation** for anyone to go out and buy a new book for the book swap. The idea is that children bring an old, wrapped up book to school, with the only information on the wrapping being a short blurb describing what happens in the book. The children will share in class their descriptions of their old book before the book swap. After this all children will choose their new, mysterious story, with every child leaving school with a new story book to the one they brought in!



## Scholastic Book Fair      Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024

We are excited to be able to host the Scholastic Book Fair once again early next half term! The book fair is a fantastic opportunity for children to explore a range of new and exciting texts, many at a special schools' rate. Each book sold contributes towards a running total for Heronshaw School to be able to fundraise for new books; shared between the year groups for our projects, guided reading, reading for pleasure and the library. Please remember to bring along your World Book Day voucher to spend at the fair if you haven't already spent it!

### When and where?

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

**3.10pm in the school hall.**

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February – 5<sup>th</sup> March

**8.30am – 8.50am and 3.10pm – 3.45pm.**

We are able to accept both cash and card payment (by scanning a QR code which will direct you to payment options).



### World Book Day vouchers

Next week each child will be receiving a voucher ahead of half term to claim a free World Book Day book at certain retailers. These can be spent between the 15<sup>th</sup> February and 31<sup>st</sup> March. Full details of these titles and where to find them can be found at <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

We do hope you enjoy the many activities packed into the next few weeks to celebrate our love of reading at Heronshaw School! For now enjoy preparing for World Book Day, choose a costume to suit the theme for this year and wrap an old book you'd like to see enjoy a new home.

Many thanks for your support. Any questions, please do get in touch to ask myself or your class teacher.

Let's make our little people, big dreamers; creating readers, leaders, dreamers.

Kind regards

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