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Friday 10th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: World Book Week 2023

From Monday 27th February to Friday 3th March, pupils at Walmley Junior School will be celebrating World Book Week. World Book Day will take place on Thursday 2nd March.

Throughout the week, there will be lots of activities that your child will be taking part in:

- **Teacher Swap:** your child will have a different class teacher read to them.
- **Spellathon:** a year group spelling competition.
- **Paired Reading:** read with children from another year group.
- **Where's Wally?** Children can take part in a hunt for Wally around the school.
- **Ten Minute Story Share:** listen to published authors and read extracts from their books online.
- **Explore a New Book:** *The Whale Who Wanted More by Rachel Bright* is our World Book Day book this year and the children will create work in response to this. It is also our Spring Term reading competition book so encourage your child to take part if they can.
- **World Book Day £1 Book Tokens:** these will be handed out to your child. Tokens need to be redeemed between Thursday 16th February to Sunday 26th March in participating stores.

Exciting News: The West End in Schools Company are coming back to Walmley!

This will take place during book week and the pupils will get a chance to work with a performing arts choreographer from the West End to bring books to life. Year 3 and 4 will be exploring Roald Dahl's 'Fantastic Mr Fox' and Year 5 and 6 will be focusing on 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Raúf.

Book Swap

As in previous years, if you are able to, please can you send your child with unwanted children's books (that are in good condition) into school. For each book that your child brings in, they will receive a book token that they can then redeem for other books in the book swap. If your child brings in two books, they will receive two tokens and can redeem them against two books.



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Please can all books be sent to the school hall on Wednesday 1st March. The book swap will take place during the morning.

Dress Up Day

On World Book Day (Thursday 2nd March), we would like to celebrate the importance of sharing stories at bedtime. We are also mindful of the rising cost of living and the pressure it puts on parents to buy new World Book Day costumes. Therefore, we would like children to come to school wearing clean pyjamas and bring in their favourite book and a small soft toy. Slippers, dressing gowns and onesies are also welcome but please ensure you send children in with appropriate outside footwear for break and lunchtime.

If you have any questions about World Book Week, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Mr. Ware

Mrs. Cadman

Reading Leader

Writing Leader