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Dear Parents and Carers,

This year World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March. The School Council have talked to the children in assembly and held a meeting to discuss and share the plans for this annual event.

The children agreed that they would like to invite all the children and staff to dress up as a character from their favourite book or story. We would like the children to be able to talk about who they have come dressed up as. Please remember, this should be a character from a book and we ask that these are not 'film' or 'superhero' characters, unless of course the character was originally from a book. If your child likes non-fiction, they can come dressed as something from their favourite book e.g. a dinosaur or a ladybird etc. A costume does not need to cost you any money; be creative with the things you have at home.

We are hoping to be able to decorate each classroom door with photographs of the children dressed as their characters. In addition to the photographs we would love the children to draw their favourite character or do piece of writing about their favourite book at home which they can bring in to school to be added to the door displays.

On World Book Day, the School Council would like all children to make their own bookmarks in class and are inviting children to complete other book related activities at lunchtime with them.

Finally, following the success of the Book Swap last year, we would like to make this part of World Book Day again this year. We are asking children to donate a pre-loved book from home that they do not read anymore, for the book swap. During the day, all children will have the opportunity to browse the donated books and choose one to take home and keep. If your child would like to donate more than one book they are more than welcome to do so. **Please can we ask that all book donations be sent in to school by Monday 4th March 2024.**

We have sent home with your child today, their £1 book token voucher. Information about how you use this voucher is on the back of the voucher itself. These vouchers can only be redeemed from book shops supporting the World Book Day 2024 promotion. All participating retailers can be found on worldbookday.com/participating-retailers. Hopefully, these books will continue to inspire the children to read and to enjoy books.

Thank you in advance for all of your support. We are all looking forward to seeing the children dressed as their favourite book characters and having lots of book related fun!

Yours sincerely

J Wright

Mrs Wright and the Heathwood School Council

