



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find below details for World Book Day, which will take place this year on Thursday 7th March.

Dressing Up

We are thrilled to announce that we would love all of our children to dress up this year for World Book Day. Our hope is that this will allow our pupils to share their favourite characters and stories with their friends, creating a wonderful buzz about reading for pleasure across our whole school.

There is no expectation for any family to have to go out and buy a costume. We hope that some of the information below will help your child to create a costume that they are excited to wear:

Ideas from the World Book Day crew:

Top tips for putting together a costume

- Choose a book your child is happy to talk about.
- Start with things you might already have – tracksuits, t-shirts (inside out to make them plain) and pyjamas make a good base for a costume.
- Focus on the parts of the character that make them stand out - use facepaint or simple props to show these.

What if I/my child...

....doesn't have a book to share?

Try a costume that invites recommendations – a t-shirt with post-it notes or one you don't mind being written on.

.... doesn't like dressing up?

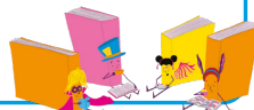
Keep it simple with a character who wears everyday clothes, by focussing on a prop, or by using a badge instead.

... likes non-fiction?

Focus on what they like – could they share a fact, or the subject matter, or do they want to focus on the author?

....aren't any good at crafting?

Stick to everyday clothes and add small details to focus on key elements of the character – hats, ears, sticking things on t-shirts etc.



Low-Cost Costume Ideas:

- Design a mask that looks like your character's face, or one that has lots of pictures of them drawn over it!
- The website www.madeformums.com have lots of simple ideas to consider...
- ...As do www.netmums.com – just search for 'World Book Day'.

Children do not need to bring in a donation to dress up; we are just looking forward to seeing all of your cool characters and costumes come into school!

Thank you for your support in advance,

Mr Husbands