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## WORLD BOOK DAY March 2020

Dear Parents

This year, the internationally celebrated World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March 2020 and once again we will embrace the importance of books, language/vocabulary and reading by hosting a variety of events at St. George's during the **WHOLE week**. We are writing to inform you of these so your child(ren) can take part in the celebrations.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. DRESSING UP DAY:** As last year, we invite the **Key Stage 2** pupils to come to school dressed up as an unusual word or familiar piece of vocabulary. This is a great opportunity for the children to wear their favourite dressing up clothes or create an outfit which matches a word, whilst exploring new and exciting vocabulary or sharing words they are familiar with. If your child chooses to dress up they will need to wear a piece of paper with the chosen word visible on. We have included some photo ideas below and for further inspiration and examples search online 'vocabulary parade ideas':



We hope to see lots of interesting words and costumes and have a parade of words in the hall - we want the pupils to be creative, but we do not want to make this a costly day. Dressing up as a particular colour could be a great way to participate. If your child(ren) would like to be a story character instead of a word then this is also an option.

Children in **Key Stage 1 (reception, year 1 and 2)** will have a focus on story telling which links to our Talk for Writing Project. Therefore we ask Key Stage 1 children to dress as a story character, some examples are shown below:



However, should pupils not wish to dress up they are expected to wear their normal school uniform.

**'SHARE A STORY' SESSION:** On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March we will be inviting you the parents to join us in a 'Share a Story' session. Year groups have been paired and pupils will have the opportunity to work with other children from across the school and share stories/books together. Pupils and parents are invited to bring a picture book or short story that is suitable to read aloud and share with the other pupils. Please see the timetable for your child's story time session and venue:

Year Groups	Venue	Time
Year 5 and Year 3	Large Hall	9.30am – 10.20am
Year 6 and Year 2	Small Hall	9.30 am – 10.20 am
Year 4 and Year 1	Large Hall	10.45am – 11.30am
Year 6 and Reception	Small Hall	10.45am – 11.30am

**BOOK FAIR:** On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March from 3.15pm we will be holding another St. George's Book Fair. These occasions provide fantastic opportunities for children, parents, grandparents, staff and everyone from the St. George's community to purchase quality reading books at a very cheap price - **ONLY £1.50**. We will have a range of picture books and quality reading books by some of the pupils favourite authors like: Roald Dahl, Michael Morpurgo and Jacqueline Wilson. However, unfortunately **World Book Day vouchers cannot be redeemed at our book fair.**

**COMPETITION:** We invite all pupils to bring a favourite children's book to school during the week and we would encourage them to 'share and recommend' the story within their own classes. There will be a whole-school competition between the classes to read and share as many stories as possible with a prize given to the class that shares the most stories!

**WORLD BOOK DAY VOUCHERS:** Every pupil will receive a £1 voucher to mark World Book Day and this can either be put towards the cost of a book or to obtain a free copy of one of the special World Book Day books. As mentioned above these **cannot be** exchanged and used at our book fair, but can be used at WH Smith or Waterstones book shops.

We thank you in advance and hope you will support our events and enjoy the World Book Day celebrations.

Mrs. Marisa Restorick      Mrs Amie Burn (English Subject Leaders)