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Dear Parents/ Carers,

When we return after half term we will be celebrating Book Week in school. We hope that the events during the week will help foster a love of reading and inspire writing opportunities, which is one of our focus areas for excelling standards in English. Thursday is World Book Day but there will be a huge range of events going on throughout the week. The theme this year will be The Lost Thing by Shaun Tan.

## Celebrate reading at our Book Fair!

The Book Fair will be in the hall all week with lots of new children's books to browse. There will be high quality books available from as little as £1!! The Book Fair will be open in the hall every morning from 8.30am and from 3pm till 3.30pm every day. Each class will browse the book fair and may bring home an order form, if you wish for your child to take their order, please sign and return the slip by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March with the money enclosed. We will also have a stationery shop, please send money to school with your child or visit the shop before or after school.

## Win a £5 Voucher

If you would like to win a £5 voucher to spend at the Book Fair, please send in a photograph of your child being 'Caught Reading' in an usual place. Write your child's name and class on the back of the photograph and bring them in by 3pm Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February. The three most unusual photographs will win a voucher.

## Breakfast with a Book!

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, parents are invited in to school to share breakfast and a book with their children. Please bring your child to the hall from 8.30 that morning via the gate on Eastway by Key Stage Two. There will be food available and a chance to look through the books and stationery to buy.

# **Dress as a Book Character**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, World Book Day, your child can come dressed as a book character and bring their favourite book in to school to share. There will be a range of exciting activities planned for that day. The school kitchen will be providing a Book Themed lunch, please remember to book a meal for that day.

#### **Book Swap**

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> every child may bring at least one book that they would like to swap/ donate. They will be set out in the meeting room and we would ask children to drop their books off there in the morning before school. Throughout the day every child in school will be able to choose a book from the swap shop to take

# **Governor's Writing Award**

Our governors are supporting the work of the children in school closely and are very interested in how we are raising standards in reading and writing. They will launch a competition for children to produce a written piece of work in response to the text they have studied that week and will chose a Star Writer in each year group to win a trophy.

It will be a busy and exciting week in school for the children and will help us to promote a love of reading and raise standards across the whole school. If you would like to help us celebrate or are available to assist with any of the arrangements, please let me know. Each class will be arranging their own activities and we are sure your children will share these with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Emily Morris

