



BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL - CHILDREN, YOUNG
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World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday 2nd March 2023, it is World Book Day. World Book Day is an annual event which celebrates books and the enjoyment of reading, whilst raising money for thousands of people across sub-Saharan Africa who don't have any books.

We know that our children enjoy the opportunity to dress up as their favourite characters each year. Whether it's Harry Potter or Peter Rabbit, costumes do not need to be costly and there are some simple ideas on the website: www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas/ if you are in need of some inspiration. We do ask for a donation of £1 for dressing up and this will be given to the charity, Book Aid International. Please can we ask you to avoid sending your child wearing a character mask as this can be distressing for some of our pupils.

There are also lots of other exciting ways you can get involved in the event and make reading an enjoyable and exciting time with your child.

- Find the most unusual place to read a book.
Encourage your child to be creative. Find an unusual place to read, take a photograph of them enjoying their book and send it into school to share with their class.
- Visit a bookshop
Attached to this letter is a £1 book token to spend at participating bookshops towards a book of their choice.
- Explore author websites.
Many popular children's authors have websites packed full of fun activities linked to their books. Why not take a look? (Links to David Walliams, Roald Dahl and Julia Donaldson's websites can be found on the page attached.)

Whilst you've got the reading 'bug', you might be interested to sign your child up to Oxford Owl, a website which offers free access to e-books and fun learning games. Just visit www.oxfordowl.co.uk to find out more.

We hope you have as much fun reading with your child as we do in school.

Yours faithfully,

Miss B. Ford



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Why not explore some author's websites with your child? Many authors now have websites packed full of fun tasks that you can do with your child. From puzzles and word searches to interactive games. Check out a few!

David Walliams

Enjoy a collection of activities based on his books at

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/schoolzone/>

Roald Dahl

Try and follow his revolting recipes with your child

<http://www.roalddahl.com/create-and-learn/make/revolting-recipes>

or get creative making your own Mr Twit's beard

<http://www.roalddahl.com/create-and-learn/make/get-crafty>

Julia Donaldson

Explore a collection of fun filled activities with your child based on The Gruffalo and many more stories

<https://www.gruffalo.com/activities>

