



Friday 10th February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

At the Solent Schools we believe the skill of reading is an invaluable one and, as part of our drive to engage, promote and maintain pupil interest in reading, we will be celebrating **World Book Day** on **Thursday 2nd March 2023**. We are all going to take part in this extra-special day to celebrate the joy of books and reading

At **Solent Infant School**, here are some of the ways we will celebrate World Book Day:

- During the week of World Book Day, each class will be participating in one specific collaborative activity which will be to create and publish a class story book. All children will contribute through telling the story the class create, using their own words and pictures. These will be sent away to be turned into physical and digital books, which will be available for parents to purchase at a later date.
- The children will be set a variety of exciting home learning challenges linked to books. Some of the activities include painting a potato character or creating a story in a jar.
- On **Thursday 2nd March**, all children will be taking part in a whole school story swap, where they will be given the opportunity to choose a story read by one of the members of staff.

At **Solent Junior School**, we will celebrate World Book Day in these ways:

- During the week before and the week of World Book Day, each class will be participating in one specific collaborative activity which will be to create and publish a class story book. All children will contribute through telling the story the class create, using their own words and pictures. These will be sent away to be turned into physical and digital books, which will be available for parents to purchase at a later date.
- The children will be set an optional home learning challenge linked to reading. Children will have the creative reign to select a challenge that suits them. Challenges include: paint a potato character, create a book-based diorama, produce a piece of 2p micro art, fashion anything book related from an egg box, make a story in a jar and/or create their own movie. This is creative home learning and will replace all other learning from Monday 23rd February – Monday 6th March.
- On the afternoon of **Friday 3rd March**, all home learning will be displayed for year groups and buddy classes to visit and enjoy. To add to the challenge, a book token will be awarded to the home learning, judged by the year group to be the best creative interpretation of a book.

Watch out for more news vis your child's home learning platform. We look forward to seeing the children become creative with their reading ideas.

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