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Dear Parents/Carers,

On Thursday 2nd March, we are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day. As usual we will be inviting the children to dress up as a character from a favourite book and having lots of fun within the world of books and reading. Please don't feel that you have to go to the expense of buying a costume though. Many of our favourite books feature children dressed in everyday clothes such as Matilda by Roald Dahl with her love of books or even pyjamas such as the children who fly off to Neverland in Peter Pan by JM Barrie!

On the day, we will be spending lots of time reading for pleasure so if the children want to bring in a favourite book from home they are very welcome to. We will also be taking part in a book focused competition in the afternoon as planned by our Reading Champions where the children will be creating their own book cover of their favourite book. You might want to spend time at home chatting about which books your child particularly enjoys to help them with this. The children will also be bringing home a £1 World Book Day token. These can be swapped for £1 books in participating stores or used towards a different book of their choice.

At Chawson, we really appreciate all that our parents do at home to practice and enjoy reading with their children - it really does make such a difference. Below are some links to the World Book Day website where there are free online and audio books that you might like to enjoy together.

www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner/

<https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/>

Happy reading and thank you for your continued support!

Sarah Webb

Reading Co-Ordinator