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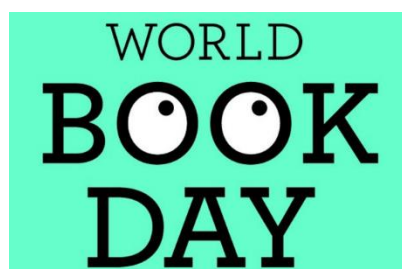
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**RE: World Book Week March 4<sup>th</sup> – March 8<sup>th</sup>**

Dear parents/carers



World Book Day is just around the corner on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** and we just wanted to let you know about the exciting activities we have planned at Newchurch. As ever, we don't do things by halves and will be celebrating the love of reading for the whole week with some opportunities for our families to come and get involved.

**Dress up (Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>):**

Children up and down the country will be dressing up as their favourite literary characters on World Book Day itself and we will be doing the same at Newchurch. However, we recognise that the cost of buying or making costumes can be a challenge so this is entirely optional. We will be basing our fun around graphic novels and comics this year so the children may wish to come in as their favourite character, a literary character of their choice or even just in their pyjamas. The choice is entirely up to you.

**Book Making (Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>) and Reading Café (Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>):**

Every year we invite our families to come in and read with the children – sharing a good book. This year we will also be making books ourselves and have two events to invite you to. A Google Form will be sent to you by the school office in the coming week; please complete this so that we can identify numbers. Unfortunately, if numbers are high and you have not completed the form, we may not be able to allow you into school.



The book making times will be Key Stage One between 9:15 and 11, with Key Stage Two between 1:15 and 3:00.

Once again, we apologise if this feels really regimented but we need to ensure that the hall and classrooms are not too full and consider the setting up for lunch and afterschool club. To ensure safe numbers of adults and children, we will need to ask that just one adult visits at a time from each family. If you have children in both key stages, please can you select one time slot to attend and both children will be able to come out of class to enjoy the event with you. Any child who does not have an adult attending will have the same experience in class with their teachers.



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This year's Reading Café times will be as follows:

- Year 3 = 9:15am - 10:00am
- Year 4 = 9:45am - 10:30am
- Year 5 = 10:15am – 11:00am
- Year 6 = 10:45am – 11:30am
- Reception = 1:15pm - 2:00pm
- Year 1 = 1:45pm – 2:30pm
- Year 2 = 2:15pm - 3:00pm

#### Events:

There will be a wide range of other activities happening throughout the week which your child will be able to enjoy which you may interact with in other ways. Check out the list below.

Date	Activity	Details
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Book Swap	The children can start the week with the spirit of sharing. Bring in a book that is suitable for their age group and they will be able to do a swap with one of their classmates. EYFS will be exchanging with one another, Year 1 and Year 2 together, Year 3 with Year 4 and, finally, Year 5 with Year 6.
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Book making	Please complete the Google form to sign up for this event. See timings above.
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Reading Cafe	Please complete the Google form above if you or another family member wishes to attend. See timings above.
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March WORLD BOOK DAY!</b>	Dance workshop	The children from Reception to Y6 will be working with a professional dance company to use movement to investigate a story and performing to the school at the end of the day. <b>Please be aware that the children may be a little later exiting school due to this performance but we will do our best to stick to times.</b>
	Author visit	The children in KS2 will be working with the author Ashley Thorpe throughout the day.
	Dress up Day	The children can come in dressed in their amazing outfits – see the information above regarding costumes.
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Thank You Service and International Women's Day	There will be less book week activities on Friday as we will be celebrating International Women's Day and also welcoming families into school for the Thank You Service.

There will be lots of additional activities going on in class from teacher swaps to podcasts...we can't wait!

With kindest regards,

*Mr J Duckett*

Deputy Head Teacher



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