

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers

Gotham Primary are celebrating World Book Day in style again this year and we will be celebrating on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. This year we are inviting the children to dress up as a character based on their class book, ideas are below:

Oak: **The Smeds and The Smoos by Julia Donaldson** – Smeds, Smoos

Beech: **The Troll by Julia Donaldson** – Pirates, Trolls, Mice, Rabbits, Spiders.

Chestnut: **The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt** – Different colour crayons

Willow: **Charlie Cooks Favourite Book by Julia Donaldson** – Pirates, Dragons, Bears, Jewel thief, Knights

Sycamore: **The Moon Dragons by Dyan Sheldon** – Kings, Princesses, Dragons, Adventurers.

Cedar: **The Incredible Book Eating Boy by Oliver Jeffers** - Henry

Maple: **How to Live Forever by Colin Thompson**- Cats, birds, ancient child

We would like to encourage children to create recycled and homemade costumes and will be giving out prizes for the best recycled, home-made costume this year! The theme for World Book Day 2020 is to 'Celebrate stories and Love Reading' so we would love for you to bring your favourite book in with your costume.

During World Book Week, we are inviting everyone to take part in a 'reading revolution' and spread the love of books and reading for pleasure, both in school and at home. To do this we want to help to share a million stories across the UK and Ireland. The aim is to inspire children to share a story 'any time from breakfast till bedtime'. We are hoping to contribute to this by reading lots at both home and in school in that week and submitting our results to World Book Day. Attached with this letter is a reading record that your child can fill in each time they share a story for 10 minutes. Please bring this back on World Book Day. There will be house points for those children that complete the challenge and everyone who completes the challenge will be entered into a draw for a prize!

#### Activities on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

**World Book Day Assembly:** Children will have the opportunity to come to the front as a class during assembly, with their favourite book, and tell us about their favourite character!

**Reading For Pleasure:** Parents and Grandparents are invited to join us for a shared read at 3pm, where you can bring in your favourite children's books!

**Book Tokens:** All children will have the opportunity to exchange their book token at the Gotham Book Shop. Each child can take a £1 book home from the selection in the school hall.

**Book Swap:** As well as the book shop we will be running another book swap on World Book Day so please bring in any read books to swap and enjoy a new book instead!

We are really looking forward to celebrating reading and sharing our favourite books during World Book Week.

Thank you for your support.

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**Celebrate stories. Love reading.**