



Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day Thursday 5th March 2026

World Book Day will soon be upon us after half term! In order to celebrate our love of reading at Dingle, we are planning a variety of activities to mark this exciting occasion.

Studies have shown that reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator for success in life, more than family circumstances, educational background, or income. Sharing stories together for just **ten minutes a day** will encourage a love of reading and it's fun for everyone! You can read together **anywhere and everywhere, from breakfast to bedtime!** In the park, on the train, on the sofa, on a plane – reading and sharing stories can happen anywhere at any time.

During the day, the children will be taking part in a variety of book-inspired activities within their classes. In addition, the whole school will be participating in the exciting activities below!

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Children are invited to come to school wearing their **pyjamas**.

Cosy-up-and-Read

This year, as part of our celebrations, we are holding '**Cosy-up-and-Read**' sessions. One parent/grandparent/carer per child is invited into school to share a story/book. Feel free to bring a teddy/blanket/cushion in to cosy up and enjoy special reading together time. The timetable for each year group can be found below.

Nursery 9am-9:30am

Reception, Y1 and Y2 – 2:00 pm – 2:30pm

Yr Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 – 2:30pm– 3:00pm

If siblings have a session at the same time, there will be an option for children to move classrooms in order to be together.

Book Swap

By popular demand, we will be orchestrating a "**Book Swap**" during the week beginning 2nd March. Children should bring in a well looked after book that they have already read and wish to swap. They will then choose a different book to take home to keep. Books to swap should be brought into school from Monday 2nd March. The swap will take place on Thursday 5th March – World Book Day.

World Book Day Tokens

Before half term, every child will be presented with a World Book Day token, which can be exchanged for exclusive World Book Day titles or used as part payment for other books. These are valid from 12th February. For details on how to redeem the token, please click here:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/books/>

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Reading Takes us to New Places!

Where is your favourite place to read? Have you ever read a book in an exciting or unconventional place?! If you have then this competition is for you! Please send photos of yourself reading in an unusual location to info@dingle.dudley.sch.uk Photos will be displayed in school and a small prize will be awarded for the most creative entries. Please send all entries by Monday 2nd March.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Richardson and the Team at Dingle Community

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