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Dear Parents/Carers,



World Book Day Thursday 5th March
Topic – Books from around the World

This year for World Book Day we are adopting the theme of Books from around the World; classes will focus on different books. **Therefore, your child could wear a costume appropriate to the book from the country where the book is set or based on the colours of the national flag.**

Pre-school and Nursery: the theme will be jungle and savannah animals.

Reception: Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne

Set in Kenya, there are the following animals: monkey, ostrich, zebra, giraffe, elephant, antelope and parrot. These fruits are featured: banana, guava, orange, mango, pineapple, avocado and passion fruit.

Year 1: The Dancing Turtle by Pleasant Despain

Set in Brazil, there is a range of Rainforest animals as well as the Turtle.

Year 2: Grandma and The Great Gourd retold by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni.

Set in India, the animals featured are a fox, a bear, a tiger and dogs. Some children have been asked to wear specific costumes but those wearing white could, if they would like to, also come in a different costume.

Year 3 and Year 4: How Anansi captured Tiger's stories

Set in the Caribbean, there are the following animals: Tiger, crocodile, monkeys, owl, giraffe, bees and pythons. The main character is Anansi, the spider man.

Year 5 and Year 6: The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry. Written by the French author, Antoiné de Saint-Exupéry, who was an aviator, the book is primarily set in the Sahara Desert but there is also mention of asteroids and planets. The main characters are a Turkish Astronomer, a Vain Man, a Railway Switchman, a Salesclerk a King and the Little Prince.



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To further support your child on the theme of World Books, maybe he/she could read a book set in a different country and bring it to school on World Book Day to talk to his/her class about it.

Eco-Council

To encourage a more environmentally sustainable approach to the use of books, the Eco-Council would like children, on World Book Day, to bring in a book that they would like to swap for another child's pre-loved book. Staff will do their best to encourage 'fair swaps'.

Yours sincerely

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