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World Book Day Reading Challenge

Dear Parents and Carers,

All pupils at Maple Infants' School are invited to join in our World Book Day Reading Challenge!

World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March 2019 and The Friends of Maple are collaborating with staff and teachers to run a reading challenge alongside this national event. On World Book Day, children across the country, and those at Maple Infants', will go to school dressed up as a character from a book as part of a celebration of reading. We would really love to see the children dressed as their **favourite** book character this year.

This event is a fantastic opportunity to inspire our young readers and promote how important reading together is. In addition, we are hoping to raise funds such that we can develop our reading community in school and create a library environment that inspires reading for pleasure.

All you have to do is:

1. **Choose 6 books that your child plans to read independently or that you wish to share together**, and complete the book list. Remember they can read whatever they want: books, e-books, audio books, poetry, comics – anything goes!
2. **Help your child(ren) find sponsors among family and friends**. Please complete the sponsor form (including ticking the box so we can claim Gift Aid) and either send sponsorship in via BACs to Sort Code 30-94-77, Account Number 04518357 (using reference 'WBD Read'), or as a cheque made out to 'The Friends of Maple Infants'. Please return all sponsorship forms to the school office/red trays by Friday 5th April. Please do not send cash into school.

We hope you all enjoy taking part in the reading challenge!

Miss Majurey and The Friends of Maple Infants

Reading Together For Pleasure



“There's so much more to a book than just the reading.”

- Maurice Sendak



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For more inspiration take a look at www.worldbookday.com where you'll find suggestions of activities and age-appropriate suggestions of books to explore!

Some Teachers' Favourites...

Mrs Barwell loves 'Aaaarrgghh! Spider!' by Lydia Monks - "We loved reading this story as a family and had great fun looking out for spiders and their webs in our own garden."

Miss Majurey is reading... 'The Little Prince' newly translated by Michael Morpurgo

Ask your teacher, parent or carer what their favourite childhood book was and why!

Local Literature Events...

FRANCESCA SIMON AUTHOR SIGNING

The brand-new Horrid Henry book 'Up, Up and Away' celebrates 25 years of Horrid Henry and this collection contains the 100th Horrid Henry story!

Tuesday 26th March 4pm at Surbiton Library

Pre-Order your book and signing slot at Regency Bookshop

Book and Ticket £4

All tickets will be entered in to a prize draw to win a Horrid Henry Box Set of books - good luck!

Book Swap

On **Thursday 7th March**, World Book Day, children will be able to swap a book the playground at **3.15pm** (weather permitting!). It's simple, bring a book that you have finished with into school, give it to your class teacher, come along to the swap at the end of the day and choose a new book to take home and share!