

30 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

This year World Book Day is being celebrated on <u>Thursday 7 March 2024</u>. Reading is something we really value at Heather Garth and we understand the importance of children getting enjoyment from their reading.

As a result, we will be celebrating World Book Day in school with a variety of fun and exciting activities throughout the day. We would love it if the children could come dressed up as their favourite book characters. Please don't feel you have to buy expensive costumes as many characters in books can easily be created with outfits you already have at home eg Matilda, Charlie Bucket, The Boy in the Dress, etc.

If you have any dressing up outfits that you no longer need, that have been outgrown etc, that are still in a good condition, we would be most grateful if you would consider donating these to school to sell on our 'as good as new' rail. This not only helps many of our parents/carers but also helps to raise additional funds for the school.

We will also be holding our <u>Scholastic Book Fair on Thursday 7 March 2023 in the School Hall</u>. Here the children will be able to browse a selection of more than 200 of the latest books and use their free £1 World Book Day vouchers to purchase books from as little as £1.99. The fair will be open from **8.15 am until 8.45 am** for parents/carers to join their children to browse and buy, and again at **3.05 pm until 3.45 pm**. However, if you are unable to attend with your child, and you would like them to purchase a book, please send the money with your child in a purse, wallet, envelope or bag with your child's name and class clearly marked on it. The children will have the opportunity throughout the school day to visit the fair with their class.

In addition to the above, we will be running a competition which will be judged on **Wednesday 6**March 2024 with a chance to win one of 5 x £5 vouchers to spend at the Scholastic Book Fair. All your child needs to do to enter is either: design a book cover, design a book token, write a short story or write a review of their favourite book. Your child's name and class need to be clearly written on their entry and handed to their class teacher no later than 9.00 am on Wednesday 6 March 2024.

Many Thanks for your continued support,

Mrs R Carr Assistant Headteacher