

#### HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

### OUR SCHOOL VALUES: RESPECT - UNDERSTANDING - PEACE - HONESTY - RESPONSIBILITY - TEAMWORK

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### Dear Parents/Carers.

We are excited that World Book Day is fast approaching, on Thursday 4th March 2021. Children will be 'off timetable' for the day and we have organised some engaging activities and events for the children to participate in from home and school. Next week's collective worship with Mrs Wale will be focussed on World Book Day with special appearances from our staff book worms!! This year, we also have the opportunity for some **live interactions with local authors** which are detailed in the letter below.

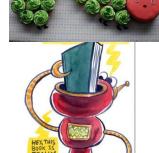
## **Class World Book Day Zoom Sessions**

Each teacher will host a World Book Day Zoom session with their class (details from class teacher). Please bring along **a favourite book** to show the class and a prop, toy, headband or mask linked to the book/character. If you would like to dress up as a book character, as is our normal tradition, you are more than welcome but we understand this may be more difficult this year!

### **Family World Book Day Challenge**

We would also like to give children and families the opportunity to work together on a project on World Book Day. Our theme is Be Inspired to Read. We would like you to let your creativity flow and create something that inspires children to read. You may like to choose one or more of the ideas below or think up one of your own:

- Get creative in the kitchen and create a book themed cake (see information on the House Captain's competition on the special eSchools Project)
- Build a reading den
- · Create a reading robot
- · Film an advert to encourage people to read
- Make an animation about how great reading is
- Write poem about reading (and perform it!)
- Create or decorate a 'reading' chair
- Create a comic strip about reading
- Create a 'recipe' for making reading fun
- Design a poster encouraging people to read
- Create a song about reading
- Make a book mark which reminds people how important reading is
- Create a reading superhero a model or picture.









We can't wait to see what ideas you come up with. **Please send a photo or video to your teacher with via Messages on eSchools or Tapestry.** All the photos we receive will be displayed in the library. If your creation it is a written piece, artwork or a model then please also bring them into school when we return – we would love to display them in the library too.

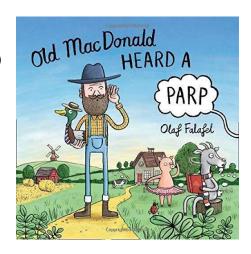
### Early Years and Key Stage 1 Special Zoom event

Event suitable for EYFS and Key Stage 1 Children (Ages 3-7)

### Olaf Falafal - Old MacDonald Heard a Parp

On **Thursday 4th March at 9.30am**, we have been invited to a special zoom event with Our Bookshop, Tring.

Olaf Falafal, author of 'Old MacDonald Heard a Parp' will be hosting a live zoom event for EYFS and Key Stage 1 children from local schools. Olaf will be providing his usual brand of creativity and humour (Warning: there may be lots of parping!!)



The event will feature a book reading and the chance for the children to send in questions for Olaf to answer. Olaf will also show the children how to draw one of the characters out of his books. Every child will need a pencil and paper for the event, so they can join in with Olaf!

As a special offer, Our Bookshop in Tring are offering children at Hawridge and Cholesbury the opportunity to purchase a signed copy. Zoom link and details of the offer to follow.

## **Key Stage 2 Special Zoom event**

This event is suitable for children aged 8+

### Hannah Gold - The Last Bear

On **Thursday 4th March at 11am**, we have been invited to a special zoom event with Our Bookshop, Tring. This will be suitable for children aged 8+, as well as their parents.

This event will be celebrating a live Book Launch for a very special debut novelist. "Meet debut novelist Hannah Gold in conversation with Our Bookshop owner Ben Moorhouse as they discuss her stunning children's book The Last Bear, illustrated by award-winning artist Levi Pinfold.



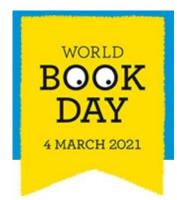
This moving adventure story will win the hearts of children the world over and show them that no one is too young or insignificant to make a difference. A celebration of the love between a child and an animal, a battle cry for our world and an irresistible adventure with a heart as big as a bear's. It is seen to be a future classic in the making." Hannah Gold went to both primary and secondary school in Tring.

As a special offer, Our Bookshop in Tring are offering children at Hawridge and Cholesbury School the chance to buy a signed copy of The Last Bear. Zoom link and details of the offer to follow.

Please be aware that both of these are public events which we have been invited to alongside other schools in the local area. They are run by an external organiser – Our Bookshop, Tring so please decide whether you think it is suitable for your child to attend and monitor your child whilst they are on the Zoom session

## **Live World Book Day Story Events:**

The World Book Day organisation have organised some extra special free digital events. You can watch them live via this link: <a href="https://www.worldbookday.com/events/">https://www.worldbookday.com/events/</a> or via their YouTube channel. They will remain on YouTube for you to watch back at any time. Each event will last approximately 30 minutes.



# This year's exciting line-up Includes:

<u>Wednesday 3rd March, 10.30am</u> – **Books that Make you LOL!** Starring: Humza Arshad, Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton (Football School), Jonny Duddle and Zanib Mian

<u>Thursday 4th March, 10.30am</u> – **World Book Day Special** – Bringing Reading to Life Starring: Joseph Coelho & Fiona Lumbers, Tom Fletcher and Lydia Monks

<u>Friday 5th March, 10.30am</u> – **Books and the Real World** Starring: Sita Brahmachari, Jess French and Katherine Rundell

### Also on the World Book Day Website:

Selection of audio books for children of all ages <a href="https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/">https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/</a>
Selection of story videos for EYFS and KS1 <a href="https://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner/">https://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner/</a>

### Julia Donaldson and Friends Broadcast

Children can also join Julia Donaldson and Friends on **Thursday 4th March at 4pm**, while she shares a song, story or some poems. She will be joined by a selection of guest illustrators too.

You can tune in to the live event at one of the following links:

Gruffalo Facebook https://www.facebook.com/OfficialGruffalo/

Scholastic Chapter One https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one

The <a href="https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one">https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one</a> website also includes Julia Donaldson's previous broadcasts, and books for older children read by other authors including Liz Pinchon author of the Tom Gates books <a href="https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one/liz-pichon">https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one/liz-pichon</a>

Finally, as we cannot give out the World Book Day £1 Vouchers this year, we have received an e-voucher that you can use. Please see the attached pdf file.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope you have a great virtual World Book Day.

Kind regards

Mrs Jemma Wale (English Co-ordinator)