



World Book Day at Riverside Thursday 7th March 2019



We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day at Riverside on Thursday 7th March, and using the opportunity to further encourage and inspire our children to become life-long lovers of reading.

On the day, there will be a variety of book-themed activities going on in classrooms throughout the school, teachers will be visiting different classes to share stories and there will be opportunities for children to share their enthusiasm for reading with other year groups.

There are a couple of activities we would like the children to prepare at home, with your support (perhaps something to do on a rainy day during the half-term holiday!):

- **Story sacks** - we would like children to bring one of their favourite books into school, along with three or four props which provide clues as to either the name of the book or one of the characters in it. There will then be opportunities in class to share these with others, see if they can guess the book/character, and talk about why they would recommend the book to the rest of the class. The props can be objects found at home, or things the children have made. For example, for the story of The Three Little Pigs, a bag of clues could include a couple of sticks, a brick house made of lego or a cardboard box, and a toy pig. For Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, it could be a bar of chocolate, a homemade 'golden ticket' and a gobstopper! Please encourage children to think carefully about their clues/props and really use their imagination. We will share some of the most ingenious bags of clues in assembly!
- **Take a #shelfie!** - children are invited to take a photograph either of their reading bookshelf or collection of books at home - these could include some of their favourite books or ones that they are currently reading. They can choose either to be in the photo or not. If these could be printed off and brought into school on World Book Day, children can share them with their class, and we can create a great display from all the photographs afterwards.
- Teachers are also invited to share their shelfie, so that children can enjoy playing guess the teacher from the shelfie!

Thank you for your support in helping our children to engage with these activities, so that World Book Day 2019 will be a fun, memorable and inspiring experience for all!