



Shetland Islands Council



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Dear Parents/Carers

We have been delighted to see P1-3 pupils return to school and have been so impressed with how well the bairns have engaged in all the activities in school. We should all be very proud of them!

World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 4th March. We are planning to join some live online activities in school to promote literacy and reading. P1-3 pupils are welcome to dress up as a character from a favourite book. The staff will be joining in too! Mrs Peterson and Mrs Cunningham will also be in touch about the plans for P4-7 pupils who continue with remote learning. This also includes dressing up and sharing favourite books remotely.

Details about World Book Day events and free audio books can be found by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/events/>

'World Book Day changes lives through a love of books and shared reading. Our mission is to promote reading for pleasure, offering every child and young person the opportunity to have a book of their own. Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success - more than their family circumstances, their parents' educational background or their income. We want to see more children, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, with a life-long habit of reading for pleasure and the improved life chances this brings them. Designated by UNESCO as a worldwide celebration of books and reading, World Book Day is marked in over 100 countries around the globe.'

Each pupil will be given a £1 book token on World Book day. P1-3 pupils will take their token home on Wednesday and P4-7 tokens can be collected from the box in the bike shelter at school. Please use the hand sanitiser provided when opening/closing the box.



Ms Shona McNab has been preparing some 'Sensory Stories' for World Book Day and we look forward to sharing these with the P1-3 pupils.

Kind regards

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