



St. Thomas More
CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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Dear parents and carers,

World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 7th March 2024**, and we hope you'll join us as we come together to celebrate our World Book Day in school. We are excited to announce that this year we are inviting both staff and students to dress up as their favourite character from a novel; students with the most creative costumes will be invited by "Golden Ticket" to an event in the hall in the afternoon. If your child does not want to dress up, they must come to school in full school uniform.

During the week, we will be asking students to bring in any unwanted books into main reception for a book swap on **Friday 8th March 2024**. This will give students an opportunity to recycle old books and discover new ones. All students will also receive a book token during form time so that they can receive their **£1 book!** Below is a link where you can find more information on participating retailers:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/>

Also, in form time students will be able to enter an **inter-form competition** decorating front covers and bunting in order to prepare for World Book Day Celebrations. There will be prizes for the winning entries which best celebrate WBD and their favourite novels.

Starting on the **4th March 2024** there will be a **WBD scavenger hunt**, students will have to locate and identify 20 famous literary characters from children's fiction. Again, there will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!

We are also giving students the opportunity to celebrate **International Women's Day 8th March** linking to WBD. We will be focusing on famous female writers who have championed both the dystopian and fantasy genre within English lessons. There is also a link below for more information on how you can support International Women's Day.

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/international-womens-day/>

There will be lots of activities throughout the week and we want to inspire all students at STM to have a love of reading and to ensure they receive cultural capital opportunities in order to promote a passion for English outside of the classroom. We thank you in advance for your support and if you have any queries please contact me directly:

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Kind regards,

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