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Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day Thursday 4th March 2021

This year, World Book Day falls on Thursday 4th March and, although it will look very different to our previous year's activities, we still want to make the most of this special day and celebrate it remotely with lots of fun activities to look forward to from your homes.

We would like to make this special day a **Screen Free Day** so that the children can enjoy their reading and take part in a range of activities away from their devices, using what you have available at home. We are encouraging our children (and families if you can) to get creative and get involved with a choice of tasks to get stuck in to. There will be no other assignments scheduled on this day.

Solent Infant School

At the Infant School, there will be a World Book Day Assembly scheduled for **9am**. There will then be an assignment scheduled for **9:30am** on your child's class page on Microsoft Teams. This assignment will consist of a grid of activities. Your child can then choose which 3 activities to complete, during the day. The activities have been carefully chosen to celebrate our favourite stories as well as to encourage your child to delve into some non-fiction texts. This nudge towards an interest in non-fiction will lead us seamlessly into our celebration of all things Science-based, as we will be celebrating British Science Week from Monday 8th March. Look out for more information next week!

Year R will still have their Live Music Session with a teacher from Portsmouth's Music Service in the afternoon but the rest of the day has been designed to be screen free. Therefore, enjoy taking part in the World Book Day activities and upload your photos on the following day, on Friday 5th March, so that we can share in the fun that you have all had.

Solent Junior School

At the Junior School, there will be a World Book Day Assembly (with a focus on Non-fiction) scheduled for **8:30am**. There will then be an assignment scheduled for **9am** on your child's class page on Microsoft Teams. This will give them all the information they need for their day and a list of suggested activities they can take part in. From this point on, they will not need their screens to complete the tasks (Y5 Music will continue to go ahead). Just have fun, get creative and enjoy the pleasures reading brings. All the children then need to do is, upload some photos of their day to the assignment so that we can share in the fun they have had. We can't wait to see where their reading takes them!

Both schools: Our Whole Schools' Task is: 'We're Going on a Book Hunt'. To take part, decorate your window with your favourite book so be as creative as you like! Then, go for a walk and see if you can spot the different books people enjoy on your way – How many can you find?

World Book Day Tokens

Normally we would be sending the children home with their £1 World Book Day Token with this letter but due to the current restrictions, this will also be working slightly differently this year. The World Book Day organisation have supplied schools with a link to a downloadable token, which you can access and print from home. Please find this below, paying careful attention to the terms and conditions.

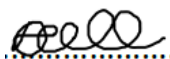
https://www.worldbookday.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/booktoken_PrimaryUK.pdf

We hope you have a wonderful Screen Free World Book Day.

Kind regards,



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