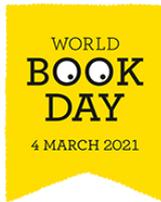


10th February 2021



World Book Day 4th March 2021

Just like everything else at the moment we will be celebrating World Book Day differently this year as we still want to celebrate our love for books and stories at Hamstel. Staff will be promoting our love for books through remote learning and additional story times will be shared.

Spending just ten minutes every day enjoying books together can make a BIG difference to the your child's development of reading. Sharing stories boosts creativity and imagination, improves wellbeing, is a positive experience for parents, carers, guardians, grandparents – everyone! – and is great fun!

Below outlines our exciting competition and some of the ways you can enjoy books.

Story Spoon Competition

This year our school competition will be held virtually through Seesaw. In the packs you have collected for your child we have provided a 'mini wooden spoon'. We would like the children to think about a favourite book character and create a '**story character spoon**'. Here are some examples:



There will be a book prize for a winner in each year group and runners up prizes in each year group too. All entries will need to be in your child's Seesaw journal by **Friday 5th March** ready for judging and winners will be announced the following week via a newsletter and a Seesaw message. Be creative and have fun!

Share a story corner

World Book Day is a charity funded by publishers and booksellers in the UK & Ireland. As part of their campaign to get everybody reading, sharing and enjoying books they have launched '**Share a story Corner videos**'. These are 10 minute easy to follow stories on their website that have familiar characters and tips for reading together.



<https://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-story-corner/>

Share a story Live Events

World Book Day are providing some special FREE digital events. It's a great line up too! You can watch them LIVE on their website, or on their YouTube channel – and they'll remain on YouTube for you to watch back time and time again!



The exciting line-up includes:

Wednesday 3rd March, 10.30am – Books that Make you LOL!

Starring: Humza Arshad, Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton (Football School), Jonny Duddle and Zanib Mian

Hosted by Kenny Baraka, motivational speaker

Thursday 4th March, 10.30am – World Book Day special – Bringing Reading to Life

Starring: Joseph Coelho & Fiona Lumbers, Tom Fletcher and Lydia Monks

Hosted by Nigel Clarke, TV presenter

Friday 5th March, 10.30am – Books and the Real World

Starring: Sita Brahmachari, Jess French and Katherine Rundell

Hosted by Jessie Cave, actor and podcaster

Each event will last approximately 30 minutes. You can find out more about each event at: <https://www.worldbookday.com/events/> and submit a question for your favourite author.

Book Day Tokens

Your child will receive their Book Day Token in their packs, they will be able to then spend them by getting £1.00 off any full priced book in any participating booksellers or swap for an exclusive £1.00 World Book Day Book.

We look forward to celebrating World Book Day virtually and seeing your wonderful competition entries.

Have fun!

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