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Dear Parents/Carers,

This year's Book Week will be from Monday 11th March to Friday 15th March 2019. Our theme this year will be 'Once upon a time...' and will link to traditional and contemporary fairy tales. Each class will focus on a different tale and use this as stimulus to guide their learning for the week. We have lots of exciting activities planned including a fabulous storyteller and a famous author (Emma Carroll) coming in, so to help you plan ahead, please find a summary below:

Friday 8th March - Wednesday 13th March: Scholastic Book Fair

A Book Fair is a celebration of reading that puts the very best books directly into the children's hands. The school will be supplied with mobile bookcases packed with over 200 of the newest and best books from over sixty publishers. With books starting from only £2.99, plus exclusive titles that you won't see in the shops or at any other fairs, there's sure to be a book for everyone! As a school, we will benefit from a Scholastic Book Fair too! Every book sold at our Fair can help to get free books for our school library.

The Book Fair will take place every day (Friday-Wednesday) from 3:15pm - 3:45pm in the library. Bus and after school club children will also be given the opportunity to purchase books in school hours (please send money in a labelled envelope).

Monday 11th March 2019 - World Book Day for West Pennard

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Monday 11^{th} March and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion. World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for children.

WBD Tokens

To help them on their reading journey, every child will receive a £1 World Book Day Book Token that can either be exchanged for one of TEN special £1 World Book Day books (available at local book shops) or used to get £1 off any book in our Scholastic Book Fair. All tokens will be kept at Scholastic Book Fair until it ends on Wednesday 13^{th} March - any unused tokens will be sent home after this date.

Dressing up

We would like each child, from Reception to Year 6, to please come to school dressed as a character from a book. We have a theme of 'fairy tales' which you could use as a starting point. However, there is no requirement for it to be linked. Prizes will be awarded for lots of different reasons.

Tuesday 12th March 2019 - Book Swap

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The Book Swap will run on Tuesday afternoon during our Book Week. Children are invited to bring in a book that they no longer require, to swap for another. All books are to be handed to the teacher on the morning of the Book Swap. Children can then return during the afternoon to choose another book.





















Wednesday 13th March 2019 - Reading Café

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Our waiters and waitresses (Year 6 Librarians) will be serving a selection of books in our pop-up Reading Café during the afternoon! There will also be squash and fruit available.

Thursday 14th March 2019

• Drop everything and read

It is important that children have a book with them in school at all times during our Book Week as when they are notified, the whole school will drop everything and read; no matter what they are in the middle of!

Friday 15th March 2019 - Reading for Pleasure

• Reading for Pleasure afternoon (Year 1 - 4 only)

You are invited to join us on Friday afternoon from 2:40pm - 3:10pm to share some dedicated time enjoying various reading activities. If you are reading a book at home or have a favourite childhood book, please bring it in. Modelling reading is just as important actually reading with children.

• Emma Carroll Author Talk and Book Signing (Years 5 and 6)

Emma Carroll will be visiting our school on Friday 15th March. If your child is in year 5 or 6 please see attached details about Emma Carroll. You will see there is the opportunity to purchase one or more of her books which she will autograph especially for your child. Please complete your order form and return it with your payment (cheques to 'West Pennard School') by Friday 8th March so the books are available for signing by Emma Carroll on the day. Special thanks to the Wells Festival of Literature for covering the cost of her visit.

Who's reading display?



We will be creating a display in our school with the theme 'Who's reading'! The idea is that everyone can be involved and it would be lovely to see pictures of children, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. Please email photos to westpennardprimary@googlmail.com.

There will be lots of other activities taking place in classes - look out for these in subsequent week's newsletters.

We look forward to having a wonderful 'book filled' week!

Mrs Pinsent Year 6 and English Lead