

1st March 2021

Dear Parents/carers,

Thursday 4th March is World Book Day so we want our pupils to immerse themselves in reading activities for the day. The structure of the day will therefore be different. Teachers will lead one live session for 30 minutes that morning, between 9.00-10.00am – each teacher will inform the children of when this will be, via their Goggle Classroom stream. There will be no other live sessions that day and the children will not need to submit work. The activities may include listening to recordings of authors reading extracts from their books, sharing favourite stories, exploring the amazing World Book Day website, role play & drama, writing challenges related to book content, enjoying sessions with Havering Library Service, to name a few. For all children in KS2, we will also have live sessions with authors:

- Years 3 & 4 with Chrissie Sains, author of 'An Alien in the Jam Factory'
- Year 5 with Mitch Johnson, author of 'Kick' and 'Pop'
- Year 6 with Catharine Bruton, author of 'Another Twist in the Tale' and 'No Ballet Shoes in Syria' (live session on Thursday 11th March)

We hope it will be a fabulous day for the children.

Just a reminder that parent consultation meetings with teachers will take place on **Thursday 4th March** too so please make sure you have booked an appointment.

On **Friday 5th March**, the day will not follow the normal remote learning structure either. Teachers will be in school preparing for the reopening on Monday 8th March so activities will be set that do not require children to submit their work and every class will have one live session that day. This time with the teacher will be used to talk about returning to school to help everyone to look forward to it again.

All children will return on **Monday 8th March** and that week is our Science Week so the children can look forward to a focus on their science theme once they are resettled into school. If you feel that your child will find the transition back to school challenging, please talk to the class teacher during your parent consultation meeting on Thursday so we can plan additional support.

I hope your children enjoy their last few days of remote learning; we look forward to welcoming them back on Monday 8th March. I will be sending you a separate letter with more details about our reopening arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sansom
Headteacher