



# Ripley Infant School

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Dear parents and guardians,

We would like to remind you that next Thursday (4th March) is World Book Day. Whether your child is in school or at home during this time, we want all children to partake in our Book Week.

On Thursday 4th March we will be celebrating the varied vocabulary in the English language by dressing up as different **words**. Having a wide vocabulary is so important for everyone and we want to develop our knowledge of words in school.

We are inviting those at home and in school to think of a word and to dress up as that word. Children can still come dressed as a book character but we ask you think of a word related to their character e.g. Harry Potter - the word might be wizard or magical. I have attached some ideas below for inspiration but if you google vocabulary parade / dress up as a word, lots of other ideas will come up. Staff will also be dressing up as a word and your child's costume can be as elaborate or as simple as you like. Please ensure your child comes to school with their word on a piece of paper.

Word	Outfit
Exhausted	Pjyamas
Colourful	Bright coloured clothes
Princess	Princess dress
Extinct	Dinosaur top
Sportsmanship	Football kit

On the day, children will have opportunities to share, explore and deepen their vocabulary through a number of activities.

During the week, children will be reading 'Tuesday' by David Wiesner. This story is a wordless picture book and explores the adventures of frogs. This story will allow us to focus on vocabulary when describing the pictures and also lots of inference, e.g. how do we know what time of day the story is set? Children will also be participating in different activities



throughout the week. We will be sharing lots of our favourite stories in class and listening to teachers share their favourite stories.

### **Competition**

This year we want to engage all children, in school and at home, and we are hosting a 'book cover' competition. Choose a favourite book and recreate the front cover. You can do this in any way, shape or form. Please upload any entries onto tapestry by **Friday 5th March** to be judged and the chance to win a prize. Some different ideas for this are as follows:



We are also going to pick a best word costume on **Thursday 4th**. If you are at home with your child and you wish to also participate, please upload a picture of them and their word on **Tapestry by 4pm on Thursday 4th** to enter. There will be prizes per class. We are looking forward to see what you come dressed as! :)

**Each class will have a story time slot this week where a story will be shared with those children who are at home. The days and times are below and you will receive a Microsoft Teams link to join:**

Owls: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 9:45am

Robins: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10:00am

Skylarks: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 2:00pm

Ravens: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 1:30pm

Starlings: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 1:30pm

Woodpeckers: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 11:15am.

You can join us in building your child's enthusiasm for reading well beyond World Book Day. A great way to do this is by reading together regularly and sharing a range of high quality texts. The more you read, the greater the word bank you create in your head. Be curious about words, discuss the meaning of unfamiliar words and practise saying the word.

For more information about World Book Day and ideas on sharing books at home, please visit [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com) Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous—so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate the gift of reading with your child.

Any concerns or questions please feel free to email me on [pboddy2@ripley-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:pboddy2@ripley-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk)

Thank you again for your continued support.

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