

Kea Community Primary School

26 March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

World Book Day is coming soon! Officially the date is 4 March but as the majority of children will still be at home, we are organising a 'Kea School Belated World Book Day' on 10 March so that we can celebrate together back in our classes.

Dressing up

We are asking children and staff to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Wednesday 10 March. Costumes can be your own creations or any costumes you already own, such as sports personalities in biographical books, fantasy characters from books that have been made into films.

Book Cover Competition

We are also asking children to recreate a favourite book cover by themselves or with members of their household, take a photo and bring it into school or upload as an assignment. More detailed information will be sent out as an assignment task next week.

Book Token

This year, instead of handing out book tokens, every child will be sent a link to download their £1 World Book Day book token. They can choose one of the exclusive, new and completely FREE World Book Day books available or use it to get £1 off any full price book or audiobook. More information can be found on the World Book Day website www.worldbookday.com > digital-booktoken

Here are just some of the exciting events organised for 10 March:

World Book Day Virtual Author Visit- Generously funded by Kea School Friends

All classes will be taking part in a virtual author visit with Sarah Oliver, a Sunday Times Best Selling author. Sarah will read some of her books to the children, followed by her own reading and writing workshops appropriate for each year group. These sessions are carefully planned to engage both boys and girls with varying reading and writing abilities, including SEND pupils. Please visit Sarah's website for more information about her publications and school workshops Home – Sarah Oliver

200 Million Minutes Reading Challenge (<u>www.200MillionMinutes.org</u>)

We are also taking part in the 200 Million Minutes Reading Challenge – a global reading initiative from education charity 'Achievement for All'. Beginning on our school World Book Day, 10 March, we will join other education settings worldwide to try to collectively read for 200 million minutes! We know that 10 minutes of reading a day can make a huge impact to a child's development, so imagine what 200 million minutes could achieve! The challenge will run until Wednesday 31 March 2020 (Children's Book Day).



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On 10 March every child will bring home a book mark to record their daily reading minutes or these can be written in their Reading Record book. These minutes will be added to their class total and submitted to the 200 Million Minutes Reading Challenge website at the end of each week.

We have a host of other activities organised for each class to make our celebration day really special.

Thank you for your support in preparing for our special day.

Mrs Olive and Miss Reeve