



# WORLD BOOK DAY

## THURSDAY 5TH MARCH 2026

### **Theme: Any book character**

2026 is the year of reading. It is aimed at (re)discovering the joy of reading and make it part of everyday life. We request the children dress as a character from a reading book. If dressing up is challenging, consider book characters who may wear every day clothes. *PE and swimming will continue as normal so please factor this in to costume choices. The children need to be able to participate safely.*

During Book Day, there will be different activities to raise the profile of reading for pleasure. On the next pages, there are several competitions which children can participate in and may give you fun activities to complete over half-term week.










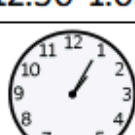

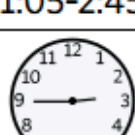
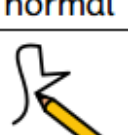




## Timetable for Book Day:

This is an example of what your day might look like.

Think about your costume choice if you have swimming or PE. You need to be able to still complete the activities safely. PE will require trainers to be worn and hair tied up. Swimming will follow the usual expectations too.

 Book day Thursday 5th March	
 8:45-9:15	 Learn about an author
 9:15-10:15	 The Great Footy and Booky Quiz
 10:30-11:30	 Maths lesson (as normal)
 12:50-1:05	 Reading for pleasure
 1:05-2:45	 Afternoon lessons as normal
 2:45	 Draw with Rob (illustration)





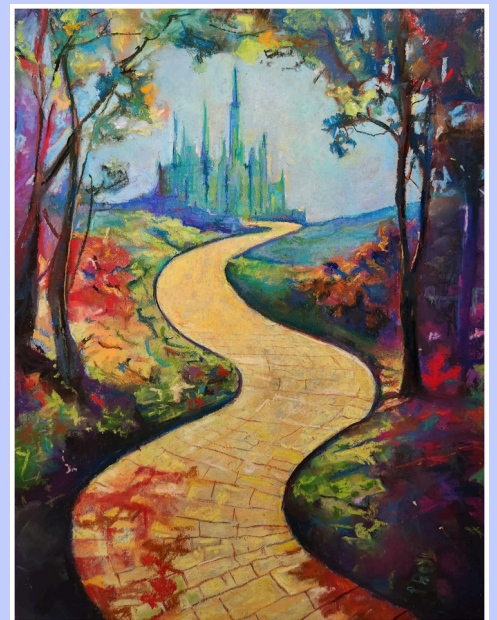
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## Horsell CofE Junior School Competitions



**Extreme reading photo-** Think about the weird and wonderful ways you could read a book. Ask an adult to take a photo and ask them to email it to your teacher. Photos will be added to the school website.

**Scene from a different view-** Create a painting or collage on A4 including the view that a book character would see. A selection of pictures will be added to the website and put on display in the school.





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National Competitions- enter from home with parent/carer support  
Click on the pictures for the link

WIN THE ULTIMATE REVIEW OF AN EPIC SEASON OF FOOTBALL!

STORIES · STATS · QUIZZES

2026

ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES

ALL NEW

ALL THE BEST ACTION FROM THE HISTORY OF FOOTBALL

A banner for a football-themed competition. It features a central image of a football pitch with players in various kits. Text includes 'WIN THE ULTIMATE REVIEW OF AN EPIC SEASON OF FOOTBALL!', 'STORIES · STATS · QUIZZES', '2026', 'ULTIMATE FOOTBALL HEROES', 'ALL NEW', and 'ALL THE BEST ACTION FROM THE HISTORY OF FOOTBALL'.

FACTopia!

Cute FACTopia!

Get into the TERRIBLE of FACTS

Illustrated by MISS SMITH

A collection of FACTopia! books. The main image shows a book cover with the title 'FACTopia!' and 'Cute FACTopia! Get into the TERRIBLE of FACTS'. Below it are several smaller images of different FACTopia! book covers.

Design a National Book Token competition

NATIONAL BOOK tokens

Special guest judges

Go All In on your creativity!

GO ALL IN.

National Year of Reading 2022

A banner for a National Book Tokens competition. It features a yellow background with a green section. Text includes 'Design a National Book Token competition', 'NATIONAL BOOK tokens', 'Special guest judges', 'Go All In on your creativity!', and 'GO ALL IN.'. There are also images of book tokens and small portraits of judges.

THE VIKING ATTACK

THE ROMAN INVASION

THE STONE AGE CLASH

JOSH LACEY

THE MAYA SACRIFICE

THE VICTORIAN REVOLUTION

JOSH LACEY

A collection of historical fiction books by Josh Lacey. The covers shown are 'The Viking Attack', 'The Roman Invasion', 'The Stone Age Clash', 'The Maya Sacrifice', and 'The Victorian Revolution'.

WIN A SET OF TEN BRILLIANTLY FUNNY

TERRIBLE TRUE TALES

TERRY DEARY

A collection of Terry Deary's 'Terrible True Tales' books. The banner says 'WIN A SET OF TEN BRILLIANTLY FUNNY TERRIBLE TRUE TALES'. Below are several book covers, each featuring a different animal and the title 'TERRIBLE TRUE TALES' by Terry Deary.

Laugh-out-loud funny

THE TIMES

NEW 12 FEBRUARY

GRIMWOOD

ROCK THE VOTE!

Amos Amos Amos

NADIA SHIREEN

A book cover for 'Grimwood Rock the Vote!' by Nadia Shireen. It features a cartoon illustration of a reindeer and a fox. Text includes 'Laugh-out-loud funny', 'THE TIMES', 'NEW 12 FEBRUARY', 'GRIMWOOD', 'ROCK THE VOTE!', 'Amos Amos Amos', and 'NADIA SHIREEN'.





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## Blue Peter book badge- apply with an adult at home

Book badges are awarded to children who love books and reading. To earn this badge, tell Blue Peter about a book you've read and draw a character or scene from the book. They would also love to hear about any books that have sparked your imagination.

A Blue Peter badge can get free child entry into many museums around the country. Click on the picture below to find out more.

