



Newsletter

17th February 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

World Book Day

On Thursday 2nd March 2023, we will be celebrating World Book Day at Town End Junior School. If they would like to, your child could dress up as their favourite character from a book or come in their pyjamas, ready to read or listen to books in their class. Children could bring in an item to school that represents one of their favourite books. That could be a wand from Harry Potter or a golden ticket from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory! Please do not feel that you must buy anything new for this day, as this day is about celebrating reading on that day and taking part in a range of reading activities throughout that week. On World Book Day, the children will be selling books for 20p. If you have any children's books that you could donate for this, then we would be really grateful.

On World Book Day, we will be providing each child with a national book token. This can be used to redeem a book from participating retailers. For more information, please go to:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/participating-retailers/>

Inset Days and other upcoming dates

Just a reminder that Monday 27th February is a school inset day. We will back to school as normal the following day, on Tuesday 28th February. Our remaining inset day this year will take place on Monday 26th June.

Parents evening will take place next term. The dates that have been allocated for this are Tuesday 7th March and Thursday 9th March. On both days, ten-minute appointments will be available for each pupil. Times will be available from 3:30 – 5:50 on both days. [Click here to book an appointment.](#)

WhatsApp and social media

Some concerns have been raised by parents and carers regarding inappropriate language being used outside of school, particularly on WhatsApp. This topic of conversation has been discussed in length, most recently on 'Safer Internet Day' which was on 7th February 2023. The focus of this years safer internet day was 'want to talk about it?' Information from this organisation can be found on <https://www.saferinternetday.org/>.

If you would like more information regarding WhatsApp, please use the following link:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/whatsapp-safety-a-how-to-guide-for-parents/>

Your child's happiness, well-being and safety is of the utmost importance to us. If you have any worries or concerns, please talk to your child's teacher or have a chat with myself or Mrs Boswell. I am available at school most days and I am happy to arrange meetings when needed. You can also contact us by calling the school or by sending a message on School Comms. Thank you for your support!

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Worrall (Head of School)