



Saint Augustine's Catholic Primary School
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"We come to school to live and learn happily together by loving ourselves and each other as Jesus teaches us"

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Sent via Email

Dear Parents/Guardians,

World Book Day Thursday 7th March 2024

I am writing to give you advance notice of our plans for World Book Day this year, which will take place on Thursday 7th March.

In keeping with our work on Racial Justice, Equality and Diversity, and following on from our Cultural Heritage homework activities, we are planning to make World Book Day a diverse cultural experience and celebrate a selection of stories from different cultures. The plan is that each class will hear a selection of at least 5 stories from different cultures during the week of this event. In addition to this, your child's Literacy lessons during this week will focus on either fictional stories incorporating different cultures or fact books about diverse communities and important figures.

To make this event successful we need your help!

If there is a particular story from your culture that your child can share with their class, then please let your Class Teacher know. Even better still, if you would like to come in and read the story to the class to provide an authentic storytelling, we would be extremely grateful.

We would also like to give your child the opportunity to dress up for this event. There are a number of options for this. Your child may dress up in traditional dress from their culture, an important figure they have been learning about or a character from their favourite fiction book. We will leave this entirely up to yourself and your child to decide!

We are mindful that some families may be struggling with the cost of living crisis, so please do not feel you have to buy an outfit for this event. Get creative and use something you already have at home or just make a prop or clue about the book so your child can share this with their class.

We are extremely excited about the planned cultural experiences that will form part of our celebrations for World Book Day. This event provides the perfect introduction to the further activities that will take place during our Cultural Heritage Week next term.

Yours sincerely,

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