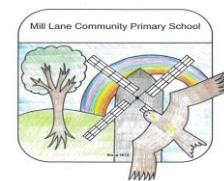


Dear Children, Parents/Guardians,

Next week is Book Week. Unfortunately, we are unable to celebrate this in our usual way but we have a variety of exciting events throughout the week for you to engage with and enjoy!



Sponsored Ready Steady Read and Virtual Book Fair

To encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we will be running a **school sponsored read** and a **Virtual Book Fair** between **Monday 1st and Sunday 7th March**.



This is being organised in conjunction with our local **Usborne Representative, Lisa Colley**, and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school.

In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will donate up to 60% of the total raised in **EXTRA FREE BOOKS** to the school. **So if we raise £600, we will get an extra £360 in FREE Usborne books!**

There will also be a competition running – the child who reads for the most amount of minutes will win a book of their choice!

The MLSA are also organising a **Reading Treasure Hunt** to run in conjunction with our **sponsored reading competition**. Each piece of reading treasure found will also count towards minutes read on your sponsored read. **Kerry Bowers, from the MLSA**, will be sending details on how to take part shortly.

Please help us to enhance our reading resources for our school by encouraging your child to spend a small amount of time each day either reading to themselves, to others, or being read to. They can read anything with words (for example comics, recipes, magazines) for as long or as little as they like.

To support our sponsored read, please find enclosed a sponsorship form for your child, which includes a reading log to record the minutes they have spent reading.

To view the Virtual Book Fair and the Sponsored Read launch - www.youtube.com/channel/UCrc1RU7c1IbWCvKF2Q4Tz7Q

To place your order and/or record your sponsorship money - <https://forms.gle/x4VJqYiaceHgX8X98>

To join the Virtual Book Fair Facebook Group - www.facebook.com/groups/1889582251180283

Payment will be organised shortly after submitting the order form. Please ensure all orders and sponsorship money are submitted by **Friday 12th March**. Books will be delivered to school within 2 weeks.

Please support our **sponsored read** and the **MLSA Reading Treasure Hunt** so that your child has more books to read, share and enjoy.

Afternoon Home Learning Menu

During book week, instead of your usual afternoon lessons, we have put together a menu of exciting activities for you to choose from. You will find this on your class home learning page. You should try and complete at least one of the activities a day but you may complete more if you wish. Send in your completed work to your class teacher as normal.

World Book Day

On the 4th March it is World Book Day and we have some exciting activities happening throughout the day for you to celebrate the occasion and best of all no maths or literacy!



Dress up as your favourite book character: whether you are in school or home learning, you are all invited to dress up as your favourite book character. Each class will hold their own competition for the best costume. You will have a special Teams meeting during the morning where you will join in with activities alongside the children who are in school. Your class teacher will send out information about times later this week.

During the morning, you may pick activities from the book week Afternoon Home Learning Menu.

As always on World Book Day, your child will be given a **£1 book token** to either exchange for one of the featured books or money off a book of their choice. You will be able to redeem the voucher at most of the large, local supermarkets whilst book retailers remain closed. You will find the book token attached to this email.



Afternoon Theatre Productions

As we cannot enjoy the cinema or theatre at the moment, we thought it would be nice if the theatre came to you! During the afternoon of World Book Day, each class will have the opportunity to watch a theatre production (some live). So get the popcorn ready and enjoy the performance from the comfort of your own home with the whole family. Key worker children will watch whilst in school, however links will be available for a short period after, so you can watch as a whole family too.

Nursery and Reception class: Goldilocks and the 3 Bears. This production is especially aimed at Nursery and Reception aged children and is a re-interpretation of the well-known classic. Will Goldilocks learn how to respect other people's property and to be less selfish? Your class teacher will send you the link to your production nearer the time. This is a pre-recorded production, so you can enjoy on a different day if you wish.

Years 1 – 4 – Live production of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. To celebrate National Shakespeare week, we have a fun and engaging, live performance of an especially adapted version of Romeo and Juliet aimed at primary age children. The show consists of abridged scenes from the play, combined with lively narration and fascinating facts about Shakespeare. This production will be live at **1.45pm on 4th March**, however if you are unable to watch it live, don't worry, as you will have access to the link for 7 days after. During the live performance, you will have an opportunity to ask the actors questions and interact throughout the whole performance.

Years 5 and 6: Treasure Island. It's the first day of the *Jim Hawkins' School for Pirates* and things aren't going too well. The teachers are late, Jim's mum is not happy at having so many people in her tavern and that classic villain, Long Jon Silver, is up to no good. We are sure you will love this version of this classic tale. Your class teacher will send you the link to your production nearer the time. This is a pre-recorded production, so you can enjoy it on a different day if you wish.

We hope you enjoy your production and time together as a whole family!

Have a fantastic week.

Best wishes,

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