



**JOHN RUSKIN
SCHOOL**



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Dear Parents, carers and children,

Once again, plans are afoot as we aim to make **World Book Day, Thursday 3rd March** another reading inspired, fun and imaginative day. Children are asked to come to school ***dressed in their pyjamas***, together with a story or poem they have been inspired by. Our theme this year is **We Are Readers** – inspired by the power of reading to develop creativity, self-confidence, enquiry and pleasure. We will be reading books and having a visit from Sav Akyuz, an acclaimed illustrator (EYFS KS1) and reading poetry together with a webinar link with Poet Laura Mucha (KS2). Our English challenge is set to this theme too!

At John Ruskin, we recognise the positive impact that reading together for only 10 minutes a day can have on a child's learning outcomes. We also want to celebrate a love of shared reading and the sense of wellbeing that it brings. Starting (or continuing!) a habit of **'reading before bedtime'** is one we believe can make a lasting impact on children's love of reading. Children are never too old to hear stories – from 10 minutes to a chapter a day... share a story with your child and join in the celebration. There are also links to some audible books as well!

In support of every child being a reader, your child will be bringing home a **£1 book voucher** that can be exchanged for one of ten selected books *in participating Book stores*. Our **Spring school bookfair** will run from

Thursday March 10th – Wednesday 16th.

Come and have a browse and choose a new read to share with your child.

We have lots of exciting events planned for the month of March but really look forward to **WORLD BOOK DAY** for our collective celebration of reading.

Thank you for your continued support at home.

Happy reading!

Sheila Siebert
English Co-ordinator



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