

## Longvernal Loves Reading



### Book Week 2021 (Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March– Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March)

At Longvernal, we pride ourselves on hosting a fantastic, book-tastic Book WEEK – yes, not just World Book Day but a whole Book WEEK! We aren't about to allow a lockdown stop us.

Your teachers are planning lots of exciting activities throughout the week. During lesson time, either in school or remotely, there will be opportunities to produce book marks, book reviews (both written and filmed), illustrations and book jackets as well as class reading treasure hunts. This year we have decided to remove the competitive element as it would be unfair with some children at home, others at school and every family will have different access to resources. I hope that you understand our thinking behind this.

#### Extreme Reading Challenge

For this, children are invited to be photographed reading in bizarre places or circumstances such as upside down, up a tree or in a laundry basket.....encourage them to use their imaginations! We do not encourage you to break lockdown laws by travelling to a specific location for the sake of a photograph. We ask that you supervise your child to ensure their safety, preventing them from getting carried away! Please email photos to the school office by 9a.m.on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. This is to allow us time to create a slide show to share for everyone to enjoy.

#### Costume Parade

Book Day wouldn't be Book Day without a costume parade! On Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup>, which is World Book Day, children and staff will have the opportunity to dress-up as a character from a book. Your child will simply join their class Google Meet at a time which will be communicated to you nearer the time (it will no doubt be longer than usual!), wearing their costume. It is always helpful if your child is familiar with the book and the character they are portraying as the aim of Book Week is to encourage a love of reading. If they have the book that their character is from, it would be a great idea to bring it along to their class meeting. Given that most shops are currently shut, we appreciate that sourcing a costume or materials to make an original costume could be difficult. If this is the case, your child could instead for instance: make a hat or headband of a favourite character; make a wooden spoon puppet or a shoe box mini scene from a book. Please also feel free to send in photos of your child in their costume (or of the character they have created) for display in school and the website. Deadline for photographs Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 12 noon.

## Book Cookbook:

If you feel like getting creative in the kitchen, why not create something tasty inspired by a book e.g. chocolate cake from *Matilda*? Send in a picture of you and your creation with a brief caption telling us about it.

## Look out for:

- The Masked Poet: Can you guess who is reading a poem from under the mask?



- We will have some special guest story readers too!
- Each class will enjoy a virtual quiz afternoon where they can spend extra time on Google Meet with friends- they may even want to bring along a hot chocolate and snack for the event!

## Book Week

You will receive an email with a digital voucher that can be printed or shown on your phone and redeemed against a book purchase or exchange for a World Book Day 2021 book.

Thank you in advance for your support of what promises to be an exciting week.

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