



Vernon Park Primary School
World Book Day 2019

Key Stage 2

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March 2019. This year, we have decided that our theme will be **Animals in Stories**. Please help us to celebrate by coming in to school dressed as **your favourite animal character** from a book that you love. If you've got the book at home please bring that in too to share with your class.

As a school we are hoping to inspire our children to a life-long love of reading. We are sure you'll agree that this is an important life-skill for our children: please help us to make every Vernon Park pupil a successful reader!

4. Share a Story:

World Book Day have launched their Share a Story campaign - it takes just 10 minutes a day to read with your child. To support this, World Book Day have set a reading bookworm challenge - why not see how many Reading Star challenges you can tick off together! Bring your completed forms back to your class teacher to win dojos!

5. Vernon Park 5 a Week Pledge:

We ask that you support us in helping us to meet our goal of every pupil reading 5 times a week. Simply sign their reading diary every night for your child to receive reading dojos and you'll soon see (and hear) their improved reading skills!

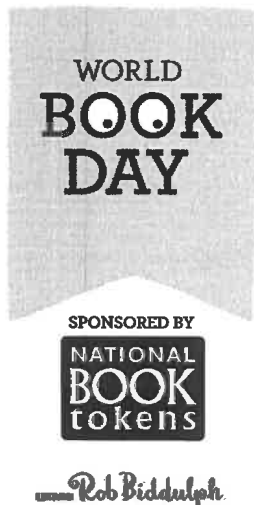
6. Extreme Reader Challenge:

The Challenge has been set: Are you an Extreme Reader?

We are inviting you **ALL** to take the Extreme Reading Challenge. Think about different, exciting, fun and SAFE places you can enjoy a book. The weirder and wilder the better!

We would like all our families to take part. Think of a place you can enjoy your book over half term and take a photograph of you reading in your 'extreme' place. You can tweet your photo to @vernonpark17, using the hash tag #extremereaderchallenge or print it to bring in to school the week beginning Monday 4th March 2019.

We can't wait to see you in all your animal finery for this year's World Book Day!



Dear Parent/Guardian

We're writing to you about our exciting and important **SHARE A STORY FOR 10 MINUTES TODAY** campaign to get everyone **sharing stories from breakfast to bedtime** on **World Book Day, 7 March and beyond**. Reading with your child now can have **long-lasting benefits** for their future and, because we know how busy you are, the great news is that reading together for **JUST 10 MINUTES a day can make all the difference**. Here are some fun and easy ways to join in:

- Find **10 minutes** on **World Book Day** and **every day** to read with your child. It doesn't just have to happen at bedtime – reading and sharing stories can happen anywhere at any time.
- Visit your local bookshop & help your child choose their **FREE World Book Day book** with their **£1 book token**.
- **Why not play our fun Are You A Share A Story Reading Star? game with your child?** Play online or download a copy of the game at worldbookday.com/reading-stars and have fun collecting your stars and discovering all the exciting ways you can share stories together.
- **Choose a book at your local library to read together** – join the library and start a new habit of visiting the library on a regular basis.

The more you enjoy reading a book, the more the child you're sharing it with will too. My biggest tip is to cosy-in for the moment and go at the pace of the child... stories, like life, are more fun when you slow down and savour the journey."

RACHEL BRIGHT, AUTHOR OF THE SQUIRRELS WHO SQUABBLED

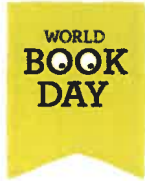
For lots of ideas on how you can make story time fun as well as advice on sharing stories with your little ones and encouraging a lifelong love of reading, visit www.worldbookday.com. PLUS, our list of the top 100 stories to share is there to help you to discover new books and stories that you'll love sharing together.

We'd love to see what you're reading and your favourite stories, so please share them on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter using #ShareAStory.

A love of reading is one of life's greatest gifts so happy reading together and **happy World Book Day!**

The World Book Day Team





ARE YOU A SHARE A STORY READING STAR?



Tick off a Reading Star each time you complete a reading task and have fun reaching all your stars! You can also play the game online and download your certificate at worldbookday.com/reading-stars

20 colorful stars, each with a number and a reading task. Star 1 has a checkmark.

- 1 Read a poem
- 2 Read a comic or magazine
- 3 Read whilst wearing something silly
- 4 Read to your pet
- 5 Read in an unusual place
- 6 Read in your pyjamas
- 7 Read a book with a yellow cover
- 8 Read aloud in a funny voice
- 9 Read on the sofa
- 10 Read at breakfast time
- 11 Read in the bath - careful!
- 12 Read a recipe (and make it!)
- 13 Read a book you chose at the library
- 14 Put down your tablet and read instead!
- 15 Read to someone else
- 16 Read a book by an author you've never tried before
- 17 Read a book about animals
- 18 Listen to an audiobook
- 19 Read in a den you've made
- 20 Read a book that makes you laugh

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Find out why its important to share stories at worldbookday.com/com/ideas/share-a-story