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World Book Day 2026

Dear Families,

We are excited to announce that we will be celebrating *World Book Day* on **Thursday 5th March 2026!** This year's event builds upon the success of last year's World Book Day event.

To mark the day, children are invited to come to school in **fancy dress**, dressed as their favourite book characters, or in their **pyjamas**, to symbolise bedtime stories. It's a great chance for children to share their love of reading and get creative with their outfits! Take a look at this link for some easy and simple costumes -

<https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/#costumes>

Additionally, children are welcome to bring in their **favourite book** to share with the class if they would like to do so.

On World Book Day, we will begin with a whole school assembly, followed by a range of exciting reading-themed activities throughout the day. As well as receiving a *World Book Day token*, all children who are in school on the day will also have the opportunity to select a pre-loved book to take home and keep - giving them even more reason to celebrate the joy of reading!

We are looking forward to a wonderful celebration of books and reading and we hope that your child will be able to take part in all the exciting activities we have planned.

We would also like to share with you an exciting opportunity for your child to receive their own Blue Peter Book Badge!

How to get a Blue Peter Book Badge



Do you love books and reading? If you do, this is the badge for you! Designed by one of the UK's best-known illustrators, Sir Quentin Blake – who you might know from bringing to life characters such as Roald Dahl's BFG and Matilda! To apply all you need to do is tell us about a book you've enjoyed reading recently and draw a character or scene from the book. We'd also love to hear about any books that have sparked your imagination. Use My Blue Peter to apply online.



Blue Peter Book badge application

To earn this badge, you must:

- Be aged between 5-15 years old
- Apply for your Book badge online using My Blue Peter
- Ask your parent or guardian for permission to apply
- Get your parent or guardian to help you fill out your form and personal details
- Tell us about a book you have read and what you think about it. Maybe you liked the characters, or perhaps you enjoyed going on exciting adventures in faraway places
- Upload your illustration of a character or a scene from the story. This could be a drawing, painting or even digital artwork
- Let us know what other books and authors you have enjoyed reading and why.

So, what are you waiting for? Pick up a book, explore your school library, or become a member of your local library and you could be on your way to earning your very own Book badge! 📖

Can I apply as a group or school?

The Book badge is open for online applications only via My Blue Peter, which means applications can no longer be sent together in one envelope. Each child must have a BBC account in order to apply for their Book badge

When will I receive my Blue Peter Book badge?

Thousands of children apply for badges each year and it can take up to 12 weeks for your badge to arrive, so please be patient!



Find more fun in the Blue Peter Book Club

The adventure doesn't stop here... Head over to the Blue Peter Book Club for even more amazing stories and tons of exciting activities, quizzes, and cool challenges!

At Temple Meadow, we love reading for pleasure and hope you do to!

Yours sincerely,

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