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**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

Dear Parent / Carers,

World Book Day will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March this year, and we have got lots of exciting plans to celebrate it here at Howarth!

During the week of 28<sup>th</sup> February – 4<sup>th</sup> March, all of the children will be taking part in a sponsored read-a-thon. Children will pledge to read for a given amount of minutes/given amount of pages/chapters or number of books, and during the week they will be reading as much as they can in school to achieve their target. Children will be bringing home sponsor forms soon, and we hope to use the money raised during this week to purchase more wonderful, high quality non-fiction books, graphic novels and comic books for class reading corners.

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, all children are invited to take part in a 'book swap'. Children will bring one book (one which is still in good or better condition) to school with them in the morning. This should be a book that they have read, enjoyed and are happy to swap. During the day, all children taking part in the book swap will be given the opportunity to swap their book for a new one, and they will bring this home with them at the end of the day.

Also on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, all children in school will be taking part in paired reading with another child from a different year group throughout the day. The older children will pair up with younger children to enjoy some time reading and sharing books together.

And finally...staff are currently busy preparing their own top-secret version of The Masked Reader!

We are really looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, and hope to continue to work with our families to instil a love of reading in all of our pupils.

Thank you for continued support.  
Yours Sincerely,

**Miss Jackson**  
**Literacy Lead**



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