# **Coleshill C of E Primary School**

Inspiring our children to flourish and enjoy 'Life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)

## School Open to All Pupils - 8th March



We are delighted that we will be able to welcome all of our children back to school from Monday 8th March. Wraparound services will also be open to all year groups, and Ladybirds Nursery (2 year olds) will return to the Children's Centre building.

To enable social distancing for parents and carers collecting and dropping off, we will return to staggered starts and collections.

We will be sending detailed information at the beginning of next week, much of our practice will reflect how school operated in September 2020. Please note that attendance is compulsory and full time.

Diary Dates					
March					
4th	World Book Day				
8th	School Fully Open				
April					
1st	INSET				
2nd	EASTER HOLIDAYS				
19th	Start of new term				





## Collective Worship: Lent

Over the next few weeks we will be focusing on a special feature that people can choose to do during Lent; A Lent Pilgrimage. Each week features a different element that the pilgrim reflects on.

After our Collective Worship for the opening week, where we learned about carrying a lamp to think about what or who brings light into our lives, Emily decided to make a light with her dad when she got home.

It has a real working light in it and lots of holes and a window to let the light shine. What a great crafting idea Emily - Well Done!



## **Special Mentions**

Ali-James got a really great surprise this week in the post. He was really proud of himself when he received his special mention. Why not send in your photo if you are one of the Champion Learners below. Well Done!!



RM	Reggie H	Luciana S	3LM	Toby B	Harriet DJ
RJ	Saffron C	Harlee B	4SL	Hollie O'B	Ethan D
1GW	Milano R	Gracie PW	4SM	Nancy D	Ellie H
1JO	Henry C	Ethan C	5C	Lily T	Maddison C
2TJ	Emily H	Georgi B	5FH	India S	Tay F
2JR	Alexis R	Ellie-Mai P	6WJ	Lacey B	Alfie B
3CP	Mollie M	Evie H	6TB	Cullen M	Amiah J



# **Reading corner**

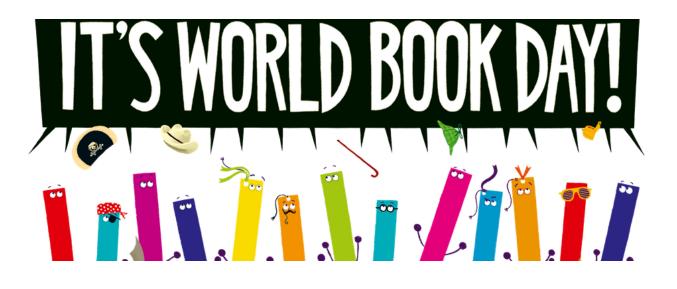
Welcome back to our reading corner! The weather is a little bit warmer and the sun has been shining this week. Spring is coming! With that in mind, I want you to try and find the time this weekend to find a book and a sunny spot to relax in - this is Costa Del Coleshill after all!

Not sure what book to read or fancy something new? Don't worry! Try out this week's recommendations!

## Wisp - Zana Frallion The Invisible - Tom Percival

Mrs Conway





# TO CELEBRATE AND MARK THE DAY, WHETHER YOU ARE IN SCHOOL OR ONLINE LEARNING YOU COULD;

- DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER
- HAVE A PYJAMA DAY WITH YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK

YOUR TEACHER WILL TAKE SOME TIME IN THE ONLINE ENGLISH LESSON TO CHECK OUT ANY SPECIAL COS-TUMES AT HOME!

# World Book Day 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021

So, join us in our celebrations and lets have some fun together reading! Take ten minutes to share stories with your little ones. Our Share A Story Corner videos have familiar characters and easy to follow stories, and tips for reading together www.worldbookday.com

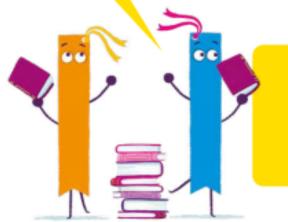
Look at the pictures together, guess what the characters are up to and ask your child what they think will happen next. Your child will soon be asking to read together again and again! It's never too early to read stories with your child and spending just ten minutes every day enjoying books together can make a BIG difference to their development. Sharing stories boosts creativity and imagination, improves wellbeing, is a positive experience for parents, carers, guardians, grandparents – everyone! – and is great fun!

As a charity, World Book Day is here to change lives through a love of books and shared reading, and bring books to the children who need them most. World Book Day is a brilliant opportunity for everyone to celebrate the joy of reading. The lockdown means doing things differently, so we have some **amazing resources to help schools and families whether children are celebrating at home or at school**. Reading and sharing stories is the perfect lockdown activity for everyone to enjoy!

#### Did you know?

1 in 7 children, and 3 in 10 children receiving free school meals, said that the book they 'bought' with their World Book Day book token had been their first book of their own. - NLT Annual Literacy Survey, 2019





### Did you know?

Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success, more than family circumstances, parents' educational backgrounds or income. - Organisation for Economic Co-Operation & Development

We want to develop a culture of reading for pleasure and encourage the next generation of readers; let's make books and sharing stories fun for children everywhere, every day. Just 10 minutes' daily shared reading benefits every child's future.

It's vital we use World Book Day to encourage even more children to be readers, book owners and book borrowers – because **no child should be without a book or miss out on shared reading**.

Thank you - you make World Book Day happen!

The World Book Day Team

# **Back to School: Mental Health and Wellbeing**

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back to school. Some children will be really excited at the thought of returning, others may be more nervous or even anxious.

We have been working hard on our mental health and wellbeing provision through school, adapting our practice to support children through the effects of the pandemic. All staff have been continuing their training in mental health and in how to support children's behaviour through recognising and talking about emotions. It is really important that these conversations about how we are feeling also happen at home; being able to identify, name and talk about emotions are a real strength and an important strategy in supporting mental health.

The NHS have some **helpful tips for parents** in preparing children for back to school. For children who have continued to come to school throughout lock-down, there will still be an adjustment as we change our routines for full opening and it will still be useful to be having those conversations at home to prepare children for the changes to come.

https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/childrens-mental-health/back-toschool-coronavirus-covid-19/



If you feel like your child may need additional support in transitioning back to school, then please do get in touch with their class teacher so we can offer the appropriate support. There is additional information about our mental health provision on our website <u>https://www.coleshillprimary.org.uk/</u>policies/mental-health-policy