



Wednesday 9th February 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. As a school we know that reading is an essential life skill, and we strive to develop children's acquisition of language through reading. We intend for all children to develop a wide and contextually rich vocabulary that spans across the curriculum. By reading a rich tapestry of literature, children are exposed to vocabulary which is not heard in everyday speech. For this reason, we have chosen to focus on words during World Book Day.

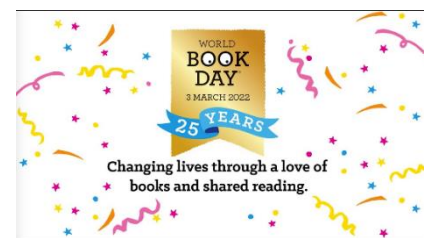
We are using the story 'The Word Collector', by Peter H. Reynolds, as a stimulus for our day. Within this story, we are introduced to a young boy called Jerome. Jerome discovers the magic of words all around him. Words that connect, transform and empower. The book is a celebration of finding your own words and the impact you can have when you share them with the world. **For this reason, we would like all children to come to school dressed as their own chosen word on Thursday 3rd March.** I have attached some ideas to give you some inspiration. Do not feel that you need to buy a new costume for your child; there are plenty of ideas to make full costumes from inexpensive items or things you already have at home. **Children must bring their chosen word written on card and decorate this however they like. We would like to make a display of examples of the words so ask that the word is written on card no larger than A4 size please.** They may wish to include the meaning, synonyms of the word or the title of the book they found the word. **Why not use this as an opportunity for your child to learn a new word?**

We want the children at Barrow Hedges to be readers for life, so please try to make story-sharing at home a habit. Reading to, and with, your child will really spark their imaginations and can be fun for all involved. You can read together anywhere and everywhere, from breakfast to bedtime! In the lead up to World Book Day (and beyond), please spend ten minutes a day sharing stories with your child.

Thank you for your continued support and happy reading! We can't wait to see the children's imaginative ideas and new words they have learnt.

Yours sincerely,

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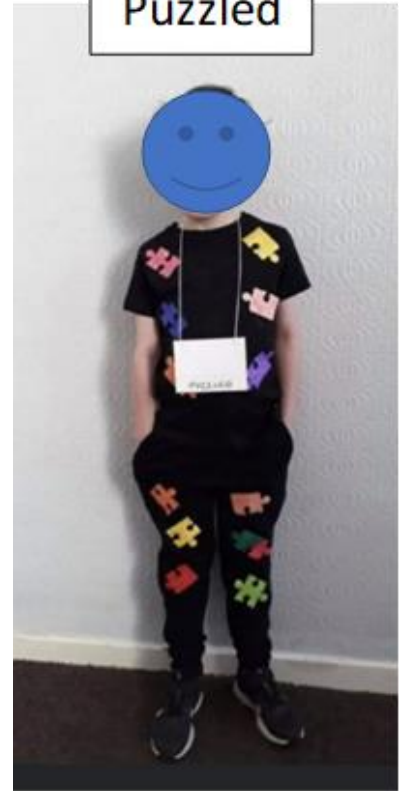
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