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Dear Parent/Carer

As part of World Book Day the Nursery and Reception children will be taking part in our *SHARE A STORY CHALLENGE*.

It is very important for children to develop a love of books and enthusiasm for promoting their reading skills, to enable them to gain knowledge and enjoyment from reading. Parents play an important role in the development of their child's reading. The more children experience books, the more they will gain the interest and passion for reading. Reading with your child will have long-lasting benefits for their future development.

Reading offers so much more than just quiet time in a cosy corner.

Why is reading or sharing a book important?

- It helps to develop Speaking, Spelling, Listening, Writing, Literacy and Social Skills.
- It helps with their ability to understand words, use their imagination and develop their speech and language skills.
- It helps develop their concentration and understanding of language.

Young children need to be able to experience books; they need to be able to understand and enjoy stories, rhymes and songs and listen and respond to them with curiosity and enjoyment. This will promote the value and pleasure of reading and encourage an interest in reading throughout school and in later life.

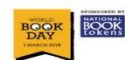
Every child loves spending time with their parents, please take this opportunity to support your child develop a love of reading and books. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your support.

Warm regards,

Mrs Doherty

EYFS Leader



#WORLDBOOKDAY 2018  
**THURSDAY 1 MARCH**

Celebrate stories. Love reading.

