

Dear Parents,

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March the UK and Ireland celebrate World Book Day. The event has been running successfully for many years and further details can be found on their website, [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com) It is a day where thousands of schools participate in a range of activities associated with reading. To that end, every boy at Bedford Prep School will receive a book token that he will be able to redeem at most bookshops. Their book token will enable them to purchase special books produced for World Book Day.

Each tutor group will be engaged in some activities on a chosen book, which they will keep secret. On World Book Day the aim is to come to school with something associated with their chosen text. We will be having a special assembly where the school will try and guess which book is associated with which tutor group. In addition, we will be running other competitions that the boys can enter including a 'guess the teacher's bookshelf!' We will also be visited by Peter J. Murray, author of the Mokee Joe series of books.

The emphasis of the day is to have fun, but also perhaps to inspire the boys to read more extensively. We do recommend that your boys read for at least 15 minutes in the evening and they are never too young to read to you!

Yours in anticipation,

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