

WOOD END PARK ACADEMY: WORLD BOOK DAY

On Friday 4th March Wood End Park Academy celebrated the 25th annual World Book Day. There were so many excellent costumes on display celebrating pupils' (and staff members') favourite books and characters.

Prior to World Book Day, KS2 pupils were lucky enough to take part in an online author talk with the wonderful Jenny Pearson. Jenny was a very engaging presenter and pupils were inspired by her enthusiasm and dedication to her work. There was also some healthy competition on show with a quiz that Jenny set herself.



"JENNY'S TALK WAS INSPIRING TO ANY CHILDREN WHO WANT TO BE AN AUTHOR. HER BOOKS SOUND FUNNY AND I WANT TO READ THEM"

ON WORLD BOOK DAY PUPILS FROM NURSERY TO YEAR 6 STARTED THEIR CELEBRATIONS WITH A SCAVENGER HUNT WHICH REQUIRED THEM TO USE THEIR DETECTIVE SKILLS TO FIND GIVEN ITEMS IN THE BOOKS IN THEIR CLASSROOMS.



"WORLD BOOK DAY IS ONE OF MY FAVOURITE DAYS BECAUSE I LOVE READING AND I LIKE CELEBRATING THAT!"

Then it was on to our Masterclasses from the Author and Illustrator Academy. Pupils were set challenges by some of the authors of this year's £1 books and they definitely rose to the occasion.

Finally, it was time for Pass the Parcel! In the middle of each parcel was a new book to read at the end of the day and a chance to celebrate the diversity of authors in the UK.

Pupils and staff had a fantastic day and can't wait to carry on developing their love of reading and books!



"WHEN ELSE DO WE GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO DRESS UP AS BOOK CHARACTERS!"

WEPA's Reading Intent

We value reading. Reading takes place in every class, independently, in groups and as a whole class. This is reflected in children reading every day, both in school and at home. Parents are offered reading workshops where they are equipped with the skills they need to support their child in reading at home.

Reading is embedded across all curriculum subjects. For example, a novel may be used to stimulate writing in English. We also use subject specific books from our 'topic boxes' and high quality text extracts in non-core lessons.

We introduce and explore subject specific vocabulary in every lesson to help scaffold our children's learning and acquisition of knowledge. We ensure that the books that children read independently cover a range of topics and genres to expand their contextual knowledge, and allow them to expand their vocabulary and build a life-long love of reading.

Every summer, children are encouraged to visit the library and take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. Reading is celebrated on World Book Day and with the Book Fair visiting every term.

COMING UP... WORLD POERTY DAY

On Monday 21st March 2022 is World Poetry Day!

On this day the children will be learning about the importance of poetry and looking at some famous poets.

EYFS: Paul Cookson

KS1: Christina Rossetti

Lower KS2: Lewis Carroll

Uppoer KS2: Brian Moses

Maybe you have a favourite poet or poem that you can share with the family...

Look out for more opportunities to enjoy reading on our website. We will be launching new reading projects in the summer term.