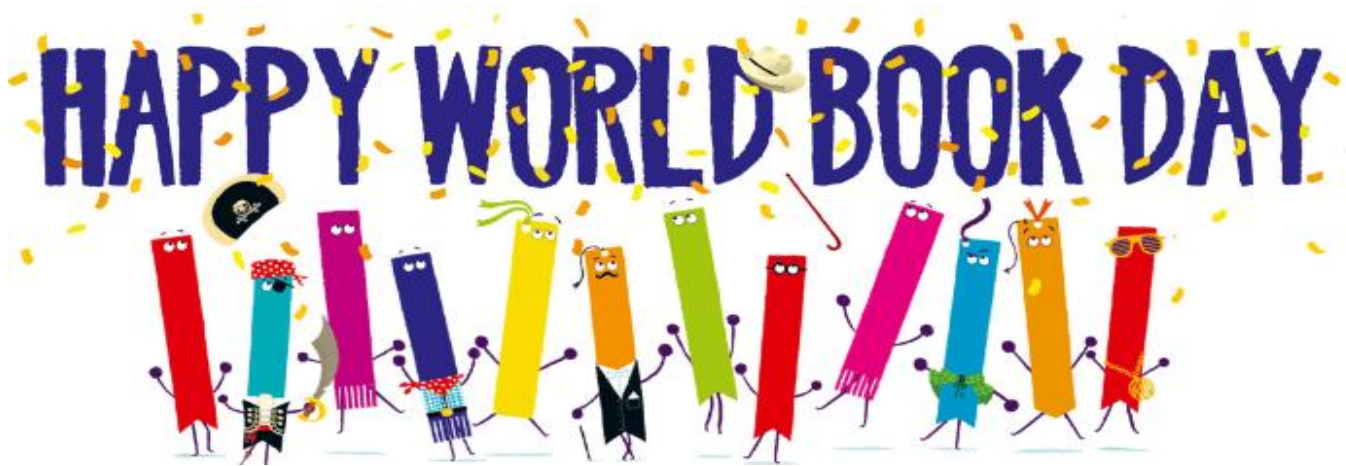




On Thursday 5th March, Parkside yet again celebrated World Book Day with excitement and creativity. Over the past week, the entire Parkside community—including teachers, staff, parents, and pupils—has celebrated and shared their love for reading. We spread our celebrations out over the entire week and we had such fun!



On Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd March, Eddie from Jubilee Books once again visited Parkside and delivered one of his excellent book fairs. Using their World Book Day tokens, every child in the school was able to take a new book home. Parkside receives 30% commission from all book sales, so all purchases made allow us to refresh and sustain our diverse book stock. Thank you again for all of your support.

On Wednesday 4th March, we welcomed our EYFS and KS1 parents into our classrooms to join our 'Pick up and Read' session. This event gave parents the opportunity to visit their child's classroom and share stories and poems with them before the afternoon pick-up. We had such a fantastic turnout! Thank you for your support.



On Thursday 5th March, we celebrated World Book Day—and what a day it was! We started our day with an exciting assembly, where we spotted some well-known book characters, played "Guess the Book," and enjoyed the Masked Reader, where the children had to guess which familiar staff member was reading behind a disguise. Throughout the day, all pupils in Year 1-6 took part in the 'Big Read Session.' All children were given the opportunity to hear a series of book blurbs and choose their favourite before travelling to the class where that

book was being shared. It was a great success and a fantastic opportunity for children to take ownership of their reading journey.

To end our World Book Day, all children from Nursery to Year 6 took part in peer reading. Classes from different year groups and key stages joined together to share their favourite books and stories. It was a pleasure to see the older children helping the younger pupils read their favourite stories.



Finally, we held our Character Paper Plate competition where the pupils were asked to create a book character using a paper plate. We were blown away by all of the fantastic entries. Well done to everyone who entered. Three winners were announced on Friday during celebration assembly and prizes were given.

We had an excellent week and we are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day again next year.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Batley
Literacy Coordinator

