

Reception Class Newsletter



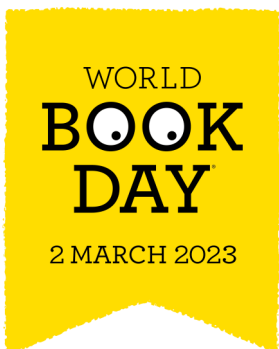
Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A very warm welcome back to our St Anne's families. Before the end of the last half term, the children shared some of the places they were most excited to visit over the break. On our return to school, the children could not believe that a restaurant, one of their favourite places to visit, could be found in our classroom! The children have taken on the role of customer, waitress/waiter and chef, developing their communication and language skills together with building on their literacy and maths skills.



Children are naturally inclined to engage in role-play, and providing children with familiar settings and props serves to enhance the quality of their role play experiences. When a group of children engage in role-play, it can be fascinating to observe how they work together to enact a scenario or situation. They may have to collaborate and compromise about how to overcome problems, sort out who is who, and operate as a team to use their ingenuity and critical thinking skills; all of which plays a major role in honing their speaking and listening skills.



On World Book Day, Thursday 7th March, your child is invited to take on the role of a character from their favourite book. Role-playing book characters immerses children in the stories they love. As your child considers which character to dress up as, you could discuss how the character acts and what they say. If you are making your child's costume, you might consider some of the iconic clothing associated with the character. In thinking about what the character says, you could read and re-read their favourite story, looking for repeated phrases. Above all else, have fun with your child as you explore their favourite story.



Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Bell & Miss Murphy