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Dear Parent/Career

Re: World Book Day

Date: Thursday 7th March 2019

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7th March 2019, and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion.

World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for children. As such, staff will be taking part in fancy dress: dressing as their favourite literary characters. Excitingly, this year we are also inviting students across the Academy to come dressed as their favourite characters too.

To coincide students' fancy-dress choices with our current Schemes of Work and English Curriculum, we are asking KS3 students to come dressed as a character from a text that they have studied. For example, year 7 students may wish to dress as a character from 'A Boy in the Striped Pajamas'. Subsequently, we are asking KS4 students to come dressed as a character from one of the GCSE, English Literature texts:

- An Inspector Calls
- Romeo and Juliet
- A Christmas Carol
- Power and Conflict Poetry

We would also like to take this opportunity to ask for your support in helping us ensure that students fancy dress options are appropriate, modest and advocate their passion for reading.

You can also join us in building your child's enthusiasm for books well beyond World Book Day by reading together regularly and joining your local library if you are not yet members. For more information about World Book Day and ideas on sharing books at home, visit <https://www.worldbookday.com/>. Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous—so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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