



# Coleman Spring 1 Newsletter February 2024

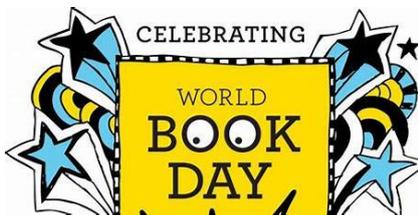
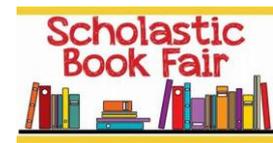
Dear Parents,

This newsletter is to update you on some new things happening in school and to remind you of upcoming events in spring 2.



We have introduced a new reading programme for our children in Years 3-6 called Accelerated Reader. We hope the children have been talking to you about it as they are very excited in school. The children sit a Star Quiz which gives them a reading age and recommends books within a range suited to their age and reading ability. When they have completed the book, they sit a comprehension and vocabulary quiz and can earn points before moving on to their next book. We are lucky enough to have been able to supplement our current books with some fantastic new reading material and all books have been organised into age and stage colours so the children can choose books that appeal to them as well as being pitched for their ability. The children are absolutely loving the new programme and cannot wait to sit a quiz, earn points and choose a new book. We are delighted that it has really encouraged their love of reading and is having such a positive impact.

We will be hosting another book fair during the week of parents evening, week commencing Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March. It will be open before and after school each day and during parents' evenings as well. Commission earned from sales will help us add to our reading books and library stock and give the children a wider choice of reading material.



We are celebrating world book day on **FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH.**

Children are welcome to come dressed as a favourite book character, bring a prop or their favourite book. We are aware of the cost-of-living crisis so all children will be making a celebratory plate in school during the week so that all children can participate in the day. We love to see homemade costumes too! World book day vouchers will be given out on the day.

Thank you to all parents who attended our recent coffee morning. Mr Smith spoke about online safety and his PowerPoint will be on the website for those of you who could not attend. If you do have any questions or concerns about your children using devices, please do not hesitate to speak to staff for support. Our next coffee morning will be on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**, which is the first Friday after the Easter break. Mrs Wade and Mrs Hill will be discussing the school's approach to behaviour and bullying, including the use of Restorative Approaches.



## Other Key Dates:

Y4 trip to Think Tank Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

F2 trip to The Pumping Station 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> March

Y2 Trip to Beaumanor Hall Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Red Nose Day and cake sale Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Parents' evenings Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March