

*The more that you read, the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.  
- Dr. Seuss*

Dear Parent/Carer

We are running a **Read for Good Readathon** and we'd love your child to join in.

It's been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives.

The charity **Read for Good** encourages children to read through its unique motivational approach inspiring reluctant readers to give reading a go, and keen readers to read more widely. Pupils can choose whatever they want to read - from comics to classics and audio books to blogs - they are not being assessed, it's all about reading for fun. And, they are motivated to read because the money they raise in sponsorship helps to provide a regular supply of brand new books and a resident storyteller to every major children's hospital in the UK.

At Etone, pupils will be given a 'Readopoly' challenge card on which to record their reading. The more books they read, the more entries they will have into our prize draw to win one of five £25 vouchers.

All you have to do is:

1. **Take a look at what they plan to read**, or help them complete their 'Readopoly' card. Remember they can read whatever they want: books, e-books, poetry, comics – anything goes! Sharing books is fine too (in fact recommended!) as well as listening to audio books.
2. **Help your child find sponsors among family and friends.** Sponsorship should be donated at <https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor>. Feel free to share this link. All sponsorship using this method will be linked directly to your child and to Etone's charity donations totaliser. Money should not be brought into school please.

Please support your child's sponsored read as much as you can. The money raised will be helping children in hospitals get books, as well as demonstrating their active citizenship. And our school receives free books worth 20% of our grand sponsorship total – so there really is something in it for everyone.

For more information, check out your child's 'Readopoly' card and visit [www.readforgood.org](http://www.readforgood.org). This challenge will be running until March 4<sup>th</sup> as part of our programme of events to celebrate 25 years of World Book Day.

**Thank you for your support – helping your child to keep reading, raising and being amazing!!**





## Events for World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 and we will be running lots of events as per below.

### Whose Shelf is this?

**Week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> February**, pupils will be able to have a go at our fun quiz 'Whose shelf is this?' where they will need to use their best inference skills to work out which member of staff's bookshelf is shown.

### 100 Reads Challenge

Alongside the Readathon, each tutor group has been challenged to see if they can read 100 books between them **before World Book Day on 3<sup>rd</sup> March.**

There are lots of prizes to be won by the tutor group and points awarded towards the House Competition.

### The BIG Book Quiz

Pupils in Key Stage 3 will take part in a book quiz during their firm time. The winning team from each tutor group will be chosen to represent their house in the BIG BOOK QUIZ FINAL on World Book day itself.

### Non-Uniform day

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, we will run a non-uniform day to celebrate World Book Day and also to raise money towards our four House Charities, as below:

Centaur – George Elliot Diabetes Support Group - providing support for people with diabetes and their families.

Dragon – Guy's Gift - providing bereavement support to families of young people.

Griffin – Doorway - providing support for 16-25 year olds who are at risk or suffering homelessness.

Phoenix – Mary Ann Evans Hospice - enhancing the quality of life and providing support for terminally ill patients and their families

The cost of the day will be £1 to each pupil wearing non-uniform. Pupils will be asked to make their donations into buckets as they arrive at school.

**There will be no charge for those pupils who choose to 'dress up' to represent a character from a book.** Pupils dressing up will have the opportunity to win prizes throughout the day for their costume.

### Scholastic Book Fair

Our World Book day celebrations will culminate in a Scholastic Book Fair that will run from 16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> March and where pupils will be able to browse and buy a range of books. Details will be sent out closer to the date with information about the books available and the best way to pay.

If you require further information about any of these events, please contact Mrs K Smith at school.