

WORLD BOOK DAY EVENTS

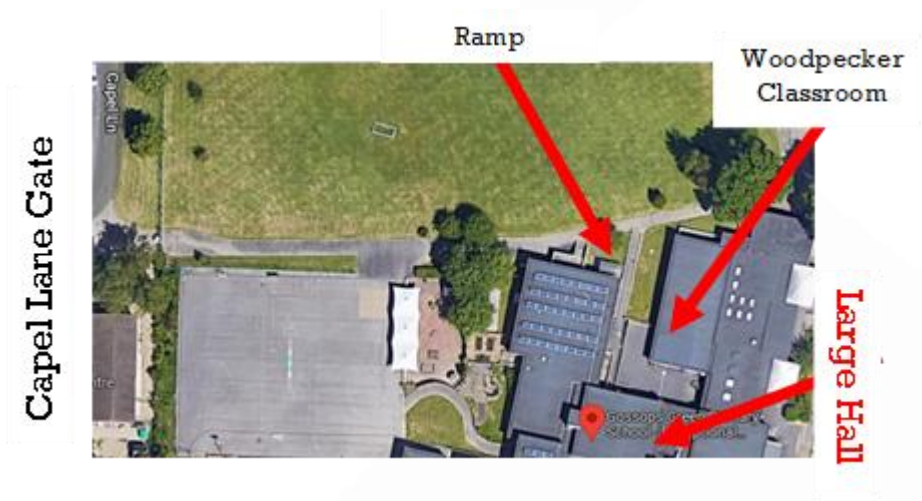
Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is all the information you need to know for World Book Day and all the events leading up to it. This year, we are running two competitions (see details below) and children are welcome to enter both if they choose to.

Book Fairs

Monday 2nd March 2026 and Wednesday 4th March 2025.

Large Hall at 3.05-4pm



Scan the QR code to pay for your books online or visit travellingbooks.co.uk/pay

Leading up to the book fair, each class will have an opportunity to visit the book fair in school (either Monday or Tuesday) and identify books that they might like.

Please enter the large hall via the ramp beside Woodpecker class as shown on the map above. You will pay for books on the day of the fair by paying **online** using your phone or one of our devices – a member of staff will be there to help! You will also need to bring your card for payments as you need to put these details on their secure form.

Book orders will be taken by a member of staff. You will not be able to take any books home on the day, but they will be ordered so your child has new copies of the books. The deadline for orders will be **Monday 9th March.**

Remember to bring your **£1 Book Tokens** and any vouchers that have been won from this year's World Book Day competition (details below)! Children will receive these Friday 28th February.



World Book Day – Thursday 5th March 2026

What to wear: Book character costume or pyjamas
(no football kits).

Children can bring in their favourite books to share, take part in some exciting reading activities and have a chance to read with ‘buddies’ from different year groups!

All children must wear clothing that is appropriate for the time of year. Full length pyjamas, no crop tops and suitable footwear. Please ensure that if wearing pyjamas, your child is wearing underwear. If Thursday is your child’s PE day, they must be wearing something they can comfortably do PE in as there will not be facilities for them to change.



Competitions – ‘Book on a Spoon’ and ‘Catch a Classic Cover’

Both competitions encourage children’s creativity and link to their reading. Your child can enter just one of the competitions or they can enter both and double their chances of winning.

Book on a Spoon

This year’s first competition will be using a wooden spoon (or similar) to create a book character from their favourite book. Children can use paint, markers and any other creative means they want to turn the spoon into book characters. They could design one character or a selection from their favourite book. The winning spoon from each year group will win a £5 book voucher to spend at the fair. The deadline for submissions is Friday 28th February. The winners will be announced Monday 2nd March so children can spend their voucher at the Book Fair.





Catch a Classic Cover

Last year, we introduced our 'Catch a Classic' initiative, where children are encouraged to read texts from classic and aspiring classic authors, including Roald Dahl, Charles Dickens, Dr Seuss and Julia Donaldson.

We wanted to run a competition to celebrate it being a year since this was introduced to Gossops Green. Over the last year, children have had the opportunities to engage with and enjoy these incredible books.

The prize for the competition is their very own, brand new 'Catch a Classic' book that they can keep. All they need to do is design a cover for one of the 'Catch a Classic' books in their year group: EYFS – Eric Carle, Year 1 – Julia Donaldson, Year 2 – Dr Seuss, Year 3 – Roald Dahl, Year 4 – Michael Morpurgo, Year 5 – Charles Dickens and Year 6 – William Shakespeare. They can get a template from their teacher to take home and the deadline for this competition is Wednesday 4th March. The winning entry in each year group will be announced on Friday 6th March.

Key dates in one place:

Date	Event
Friday 13 th February	'Catch a Classic Cover' templates sent home
Friday 28 th February	£1 book voucher sent home Deadline for 'Book on a Spoon' entries
Monday 2 nd March	Winners for 'Book on a Spoon' announced Book Fair Day 1
Wednesday 4 th March	Deadline for 'Catch a Classic Cover' entries Book Fair Day 2
Friday 6 th March	'Catch a Classic Cover' winners announced
Monday 9 th March	Deadline for book orders

We look forward to seeing you at these upcoming reading events and seeing the creative ways to show your child's favourite books.

Kind regards,

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