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Dear Parents

Re: Smithdon Literary Festival

I am writing to inform you that World Book Day 2023 is being held on Thursday 2 March 2023. To celebrate this event, we are inviting all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 to dress up as a character from a book. Teachers will also be coming to school as characters to celebrate our shared commitment to reading and the books that have shaped us.

This is **not** a non-uniform day; students who choose to dress up in character must be able to discuss the book that inspired their attire. There will be prizes for students who participate in this event. Students who choose not to participate must attend in their regular school uniform.

We request a minimum donation of £1 with proceeds supporting both the National Literacy Trust and our school library. Donations can be made through ParentPay.

Across the week, students will have opportunities to participate in a number of literary-themed activities including:

- The launch of the Carnegie Shadowing Award;
- 500 Word writing competition;
- Journalism Day;
- Workshop with author, Sue Upton;
- Academic talk, University of Cambridge;
- The transformation of the library into Diagon Alley for Harry Potter themed activities and treats available for purchase (Tuesday 28 February).

We look forward to our second annual Smithdon Literary Festival and we thank you for your continued support.

Happy reading!

Yours sincerely

Ms A Wright
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