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Dear Parents and Carers



Weekly Newsletter

World Book Day

World Book Day will be celebrated by the Shanklea community on **Friday 5th March 2021**. We have lots of fun and exciting activities planned to celebrate the joy of reading.

Children at home and at school are encouraged to dress up as a book character. We would love to see photos of everyone at home please.

We are also challenging children to take part in a special Shanklea Masked Reader competition where children have to work out (or guess) which masked member of staff is reading the story.

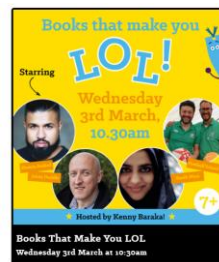
The World Book Day organisation is also running a competition. They say:

*We can't wait to see schools and families sharing stories in celebration of reading together and World Book Day 2021. We know how precious time with your book is and we also know there are lots of brilliant ways you can enjoy books so we're inviting everyone to join in with our **SHOW YOUR SHARES** competition.*

A story share could be: reading at home with your family, reading in your favourite nook, reading in an unusual location, sharing a story with your pet, reading a book dressed as your favourite character, and more!

EVERY WEEK during World Book Day month (four in total), we'll award prizes for the best story shares with a different theme each week.

THE COMPETITION runs from 22nd February 2021 for 4 weeks.



A **World Book Day Voucher** will be sent with this newsletter. Paper tokens may be collected from the school office if people prefer.

Our very popular Our new **Scholastic Book Club** is now up and running!

Please go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/shanklea-county/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online.





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For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards. Please place your order online by March 22nd, 2021.

Scholastic book club also has live events all week relating to many of our favourite authors and illustrators. They even have a book club at four o'clock each day which the whole family could join in. For these events parents should register their interest on the site giving their email in advance. <https://www.worldbookday.com/events/>

More details are shown below

Scholastic Live				
World Book Day Event Week				
Monday 1st – Friday 5th March				
MONDAY 1ST	TUESDAY 2ND	WEDNESDAY 3RD	THURSDAY 4TH	FRIDAY 5TH
10am drawalong				
 Doodle along Tom Gates style with Liz Pichon Ages 7–12	 Live history drawing with Thiago de Moraes Ages 7–12	 How to draw with Tom Knight (special guest: Michelle Robinson) Ages 3–6	 How to draw with Nicola Slater Ages 3–6	 Live nature drawing with Sharon Rentta Ages 3–6
11am writing workshop				
 Writing comedy with Simon James Green Ages 8–12	 Write like a wizard with Kimberlie Pauley Ages 8–12	 Riddles and mysteries with Lisa Thompson Ages 9–12	 How to make everyone laugh with Helen Rutter Ages 9–12	 Fantasy world-building with Vashti Hardy Ages 9–12
2pm writing workshop				
 Victoria Schwab and Spooky Stories, in conversation Ages 10–13	 Writing workshop with Kimberlie Hamilton Ages 8–12	 Welcome to Albion with Annaliese Avery – exclusive preview event! Ages 9–12	 Design a witch with Katy Birchall Ages 10–13	 Writing history with K. N. Chimbiri Ages 9–12
4pm book club				
 Keren Getten Ages 9–12	 Vick Hope Ages 9–12	 Dan Freedman Ages 8–12	 Phil Earle Ages 8–12	 Michael Rosen Ages 7+

Bournville Book Fest is also hosting a series of events for Book Week. Videos of the events will be available on the website from 9.00 each day. They are all under 30 minutes long and involve an interactive element to keep the children engaged. A summary timetable is shown below:





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Bournville Book Fest Timetable of events: 1st - 5th March 2021

Monday	Poetry with Benjamin Zephaniah and Michael Rosen (30mins) Drawing Dobbie with Jonny Duddle (14mins)
Tuesday	Writing Adventure Stories with Katherine Rundell (24mins) Poetry Writing for beginners with Matt “poet with punch” Windle (7minutes)
Wednesday	Making up hilarious stories with Serena Patel (3minutes) Funny Stories draw along with Steven Lenton and Steven Butler (30mis)
Thursday	Reading and writing stories about what you love with Tom Palmer (20mins) Storytelling with Anna O Brien (5minutes)
Friday	Dragons and magic with Cressida Cowell (Children’s Laureate and author of How to Train your dragon) including draw along (11 minutes) Draw along with Nick Sharratt.

Google Meet Wellbeing Sessions

Thank you to everyone who has completed and returned their permission form for children to take part in Wellbeing sessions with their teacher on Google Meet. We would be grateful if parents and carers of all children in main school could complete and return the form (whether or not they are currently attending school) so permissions are in place should further sessions need to be arranged in the future. Thank you.

Thank you

We would like to thank the very kind Shanklea parents (you know who you are) who kindly donated a huge supply of top-quality books to us. After the books had finished their stay in quarantine the children had a fantastic time discovering what was there and sorting them.



If anyone has any good quality children’s books they no longer need, we would love them. We will, of course, observe strict covid safety protocols. Thank you.





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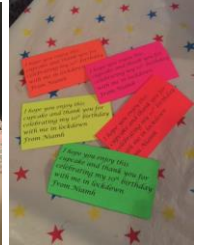
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Shanklea Caring Superstar



We would like to say a special Shanklea thank you to **Niamh W** who celebrated her birthday this week by baking 100 cakes with her grandmother and delivering them to be handed out at a local food bank. The cakes all had a label thanking the recipients for celebrating her birthday. We have included some pictures of this wonderful kindness. Well done Niamh.



Shanklea Home and Classroom Superstars



Congratulations to the **Shanklea Stars** of last week:



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| William B | Finn T | Bethany D | Shanice Y | Ollie D | |
| Thomas Y | Ella C | Leila C | Alfie O'B | Brody P | Joey P |
| Matthew O | Ellie T | Lily F | Jessica C | Jonathan M | |
| Devin R | Isla R | Matilda C | Ella B | Evie H | |
| Maisie F | Niamh W | Amber C | Riley K | Archie H | |
| Georgia S | Cameron C | Codi C | Mathew J | | |

You are all amazing – Well done



Next week, we will be providing lots of information about our “re-opening” on **Monday 8th March** so please check your emails and texts regularly.

Stay safe

Mrs H Brown
Head Teacher

