

St. Mark's C.E. Primary

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Dear Parents / Carers / Children,

In school we have a big focus on promoting reading for pleasure. Our aim is to help children to improve their reading skills and to instil a life-long love of reading.

In Spring 2, we will be holding a number of events to promote this. The first is **World Book day on Thursday 2nd March**. The children are invited to come into school as their favourite book character and will be taking part in book themed activities during the day.

Following this, I have organised a sponsored **Readathon. It will be running from Monday 6th March to Friday 17th March**. The aim is for your child/children to read as much as they can in the two week time period. The more they read the more money they raise for charity!

Readathon is not just about the children reading independently, it is about stimulating children to develop a love for reading through sharing picture books, fiction and non-fiction texts, magazines, newspapers, even recipes!

During the *Readathon* we are having an 'Extreme Reading' competition too. If the children bring a photograph of them reading in 'extreme' or unusual situation/places, they will be entered into a prize draw to win a Book Voucher. So get 'extreme reading' over the holidays to be in with a chance of winning the prize. The Closing date for the competition will be Thursday 16th March.

The sponsor cards will be going home with the children on Friday so they can begin to collect sponsors.

Happy Reading!

Mrs Whitehead

English Subject Leader