


Friday Update



Another great week at Balliol, the children have really enjoyed their swimming this week and are looking forward to another great week next week.

Thank you so much to all parents and carers to your support and patience, it has been a fantastic experience for all.

World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 5th March** and we hope you'll join us as we come together to encourage every child in school to be a reader and love books.

To celebrate World Book Day, we will have plenty of fun activities taking place throughout the day including:

- Exploring a selection of books around the theme of the environment and nature



- Inviting children to come to school in **non-uniform** (reminder – some classes have swimming session on this day so please ensure non-uniform is practical for quick changing)
- Taking part in the Bedford Modern Junior Art Competition 2026 – literature and illustration – creating a piece of art inspired by a favourite book or story

At home, children will be challenged to design a new national book token as part of the official World Book Day competition (more details to follow).

We're looking forward to celebrating World Book Day in school and hope you will join in too with your child at home. World Book Day could not happen without the support of parents and carers – thank you, you make it happen!

Just ten minutes
of sharing stories
daily makes a huge
difference to a child's
future success.





General information and reminders

- Please ensure that all children have their water bottles each day
- Children should be in school uniform, PE kit should be blue or black.
- Please make sure that children bring in reading books and diaries and read regularly at home.
- Snacks: Children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 have a piece of fruit daily and do not need to bring in a snack.
Children in Years 3 - 6 can bring in a small healthy snack such as a piece of fruit/veg or a cereal bar.

Parking

We have had some concerns raised by local residents about parking, particularly in the mornings. Please ensure that you are not blocking driveways and that you are parking considerately.

If you have any questions or queries, please email the school office office@balliolschool.co.uk or call on 01234 300601

The Balliol Team