



# Ombersley Endowed First School

## Book Week: 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025



This year, we have chosen the author Roald Dahl to be the focus of our book week. Throughout the week, the children will be given opportunities to participate in a variety of cross-curricular activities linked to a particular Roald Dahl book.

### Our aims for book week:

- To develop a love of books, reading and listening to stories.
- To create a reading community across the school and develop relationships.
- To immerse pupils in creative ideas related to books, engaging children and their parents in reading for pleasure.

### What's happening in school?

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – Today, we will launch book week and you will find out which Roald Dahl book your teacher has chosen. All week, you will be completing English and cross-curricular activities linked to your class book. **D**rop **E**verything **A**nd **R**ead (D.E.A.R.) will take place outside today.

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March** – Today it is Book Swap day which will take place in the library at lunchtime. Please bring a book (in good condition) that can be swapped for another. (Remember, you will need a book to swap to be allowed entry. You get to keep the new book you choose but you will give away your old book and won't get it back.) Please bring a cuddly toy which you can read to when we D.E.A.R. today.

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – D.E.A.R. will take place in our school teams today. Please bring your extreme reading challenge photograph to school. Each class will also be voting for an animation of one of Roald Dahl's books they would like to watch on Friday.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – It's World Book Day! Please dress up as your favourite book character or a Roald Dahl character. Please remember to also bring the book your character is from to read during D.E.A.R.. We'll have a parade so we can see all the different characters you have come as. We are also having a cake / biscuit competition. Bake Roald Dahl inspired cakes, cupcakes or biscuits and these will go on sale after school today.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** – Today, we will find out which animation received the most votes and we will watch the winning choice in the afternoon. D.E.A.R. will take place when parents visit this afternoon so you can share a book together. (Parents, please bring a favourite book from home or you can choose one from school.) More details and timings to follow. Make sure you've brought your designs for a new book cover into school.

## Home Reading Challenges / Competitions



- Design a new front cover for any Roald Dahl book. Winning entries will receive a £10 book token.
- Enjoy reading a book in an extreme place, ask an adult to take a photo and bring it to school on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March.
- Create a collage / painting / drawing of your favourite Roald Dahl character.
- Write a book review and send it to Blue Peter to try and earn a Blue Peter Book Badge. See page 3 for more information which has been copied from the CBBC website.

## Book Week Baking Competition



Get your aprons on and take inspiration from Roald Dahl books and characters to bake a cake, cupcakes or biscuits. Perhaps you will make biscuits shaped like Mr Twit's beard, golden ticket chocolate crispy cakes, or crocodile cupcakes. We're looking forward to seeing your yummy treats and the winning entries will receive a book prize.



[www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)

Have a look at the section for families on the World Book Day website.

We're inviting everyone to **Read Your Way**, to give children and young people the opportunity to discover reading on their own terms.

**Read Your Way** encourages everyone to let go of reading pressures and expectations, and lets children find fun in reading.

Children and parents tell us that reading can feel like work, so we're here to unlock the fun!



- [Snuggle up with a picture book video](#)
- [Listen to a free audiobook together](#)
- [Let us help you with some reading recommendations](#)
- [Listen to MC Grammar's World Book Day Songs](#)



Click on the link to see which books your child could buy with their World Book Day Book Voucher: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ujg\\_1FwxVqQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ujg_1FwxVqQ)

## Blue Peter Badge Book Review

Do you love books and reading? If you do, this is the badge for you! Designed by one of the UK's best-known illustrators, Sir Quentin Blake – who you might know from bringing to life characters such as Roald Dahl's BFG and Matilda! To apply all you need to do is tell us about a book you've enjoyed reading recently and draw a character or scene from the book. We'd also love to hear about any books that have sparked your imagination. Use My Blue Peter to apply online.



## Blue Peter Book badge application

To earn this badge, you must:

- Be aged between 5-15 years old.
- **Apply for your Book badge online using My Blue Peter.**
- Ask your parent or guardian for permission to apply and ask them to **read the Privacy Notice.**
- Get your parent or guardian to help you fill out your form and personal details.
- Tell us about a book you have read and what you think about it. Maybe you liked the characters, or perhaps you enjoyed going on exciting adventures in faraway places.
- Upload your illustration of a character or a scene from the story. This could be a drawing, painting or even digital artwork.
- Let us know what other books and authors you have enjoyed reading and why.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge>

There are some book review templates you might like to use but you could also design your own.

**Have fun reading!**