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Dear Parents and Carers

Now that we are back at school, we would like to belatedly celebrate World Book Day with our pupils by having a whole-school Book Swap! We want to foster enthusiasm and excitement around reading; books are for everyone; books help you relax, take you to new places and help you understand the world around you. There are many educational benefits to the proven power of reading; the Reading Agency records that reading for pleasure is more important to a child's successes and cognitive development than education, their parents' level of education or social class.

In the lead up to Easter, please can you encourage your child to bring in a book that they have at home that they are willing to swap. Students should please bring these books to N004 by the 2 April and leave them in the named swap-box. This book swap will stretch across all year groups, so if your child has books that they've grown out of and would benefit a younger member of the school community please encourage them to bring these in.

The risk of infection from SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, from items is thought to be low. In line with Government advice, the donated books will be stored over the Easter holiday in order to eliminate any residual risk of transmission.

The book swap will be held at lunch in N004 on the following days:

- Year 7 – 19 April
- Year 8 – 20 April
- Year 9 – 21 April
- Years 10/11 – 22 April
- Years 12/13 - 23 April

We really appreciate your support in helping to promote the valuable and vital skill of reading at home. We hope to see lots of happy students going home with a new book!

Yours sincerely

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