

Activities for families to complete together

Next week is our annual Literacy Week with **World Book Day** on **Thursday the 4th of March**.

We want our whole school community to be involved, including our children and young people who are currently learning from home.

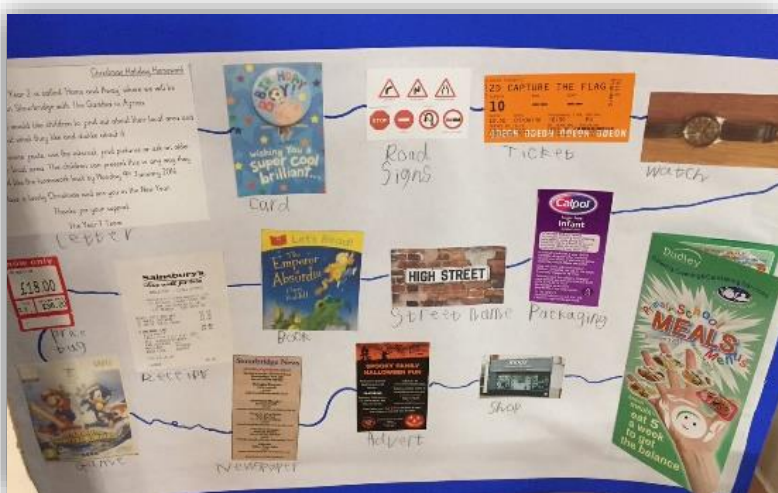
We are offering a variety of interactive activities that aim to develop your child's literacy skills. Activities are organised to promote the enjoyment of reading, whether alone or with others. This year Literacy Week will be a little bit different due to the current pandemic situation, however we will not let this stop us from having fun!

This year's main themes are:

- Reading for Pleasure
- Reading Together
- Reading to Boost Imagination.

Here are some of the ways that you can get involved at home:

Reading Rivers



Show off all the reading that your family have been doing over the week by putting it on your very own reading river.

Create a log of texts read throughout the week in the form of a poster. Texts can include books, comics, magazines, symbols, pictures,

labels, recipes, leaflets, manuals, in fact anything that you have been reading!

Calligram Cards



Calligrams are words or sections of text that are designed to create a visual representation of the word itself, such as curled up letters for the word curly, purple

letters for the word purple.

Get the whole family engaged into identifying their favourite words and present them as calligrams, as cards, through PowerPoint or even go 3-D!

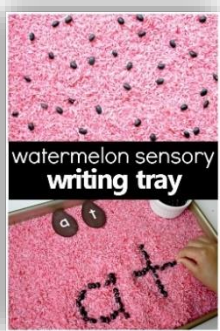


Book Doors

Choose doors in your home to decorate with elements from a favourite story. If you want to be really adventurous decorated doors could be the entrance to a themed room where you have props that will bring favourite stories to life



Sensory Writing



Have fun with writing and get your hands a bit messy! See our separate and fun and safe ways you can activities at home to encourage your child develop their writing skills, whether it is making marks, shapes, letters or even whole words. You can even make it into a game where you take it in turns to shut your eyes and guess what or words have been

made. Some of our favourite activities use kinetic sand, playdoh, apps, slime bags and potato stamps.



Food from Fiction



Get creative in the kitchen with food from your favourite stories. You may want to make the green eggs from "I am Sam-i-Am", munch on a marmalade sandwich, travel to Narnia and try Edmund's tempting sweet and gooey Turkish Delights or work through

the week some of the hungry caterpillar's favourite treats!

<https://www.food.com/ideas/childrens-book-recipes-6304#c-19633>



Dress up day



Fed-up with lock down? Haven't been able to get dressed up to go anywhere for ages? Well now is your chance to get as dressed up as you want! World Book Day is Thursday 4th March. This is your opportunity to get all the family to dress up as characters from stories. Let your imagination run wild!



Have fun!

For help or ideas about any of these projects contact your child's teacher.

Some useful websites:

<https://www.ateacherswonderland.com/literacy-week-idea/>

<https://company.overdrive.com/2016/12/02/create-a-literacy-week/>

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk/erinrigot/literacy-week-ideas/>

www.getepic.com/students

www.oxfordowl.com

There will be certificates for all participation and prizes, so please do not forget to email your child's teacher photos of any activities that you take part in. **Thank you!**

