



# Hednesford Valley High

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Dear Parent/Carer

## World Book Day - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Hednesford Valley High's English department firmly believe that reading is at the heart of our curriculum, life-long learning and enjoyment. We place a high value on the experiences that reading can bring both children and adults alike.

We are pleased and excited to announce that our school community will be celebrating **World Book Day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025.**

This year we are inviting everyone to **Read Your Way**. Our research shows that children feel reading is something they have to do, rather than something they choose to do.

Read Your Way encourages everyone to let go of reading pressures and expectations and empowers children and young people to have fun discovering reading on their own terms.

We will be having a fun-filled day of reading and book-related activities, to celebrate this special day. It would be fantastic if as many staff and students as possible, dress up as a character from their favourite book. We do appreciate that we are in a cost-of-living crisis, therefore costumes do not need to be shop brought; what is more important is that your child's costume shows their book character, with flair and imagination. **If your child does not want to participate in dressing up, they can choose to either wear school uniform or non-uniform instead.** Students who prefer not to dress up can bring in a copy of their favourite book, or a picture, photograph or drawing of their favourite character, to share with their tutor group. There will be a chance to win a prize for students who can share the reason why they like the character they have chosen.

Your child will receive a World Book Day token that they can exchange for a free book in local supermarkets and bookshops; just look for the World Book Day logo on the cover. You can also visit <https://www.worldbookday.com> for more information on the books available and other activities you can do at home with your child, to share the love of reading stories and books.

Thank you for your support with World Book Day. If you have any questions, please email me at [J.Overbury@hvh.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:J.Overbury@hvh.staffs.sch.uk).

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