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Dear Parents,

Celebrations for World Book Day were in full swing today and both staff and children alike looked magnificent in their book day costumes! The selection of favourite book covers, illustrated by the children, were equally wonderful. The variety of genres read by our children is testament to the time that we collectively spend on teaching children about the importance of reading and exactly how it can unlock learning. The 'Reading Ambassadors' elected this week will continue to champion books and ensure that our brand new Library, opened today by our local MP Siobhan McDonagh remains a thriving hub of learning for children and families across the school. Thanks to Mrs McCoy and her team of volunteers for setting up the Library over the past weeks and months – it is a great addition to our school!

Maths remains one of our school priorities and especially the learning of times tables. Children across Key stage 1 and 2 have been competing against one another in some special 'Times Tables Rockstar Battles' this week. The results shared in our NED assembly this morning showed how much children enjoy learning tables in this way. Do look out for further fun filled ways to learn times tables in the coming weeks.

The second week of Lent focuses on the Transfiguration of our Lord. Matthew's Gospel this weekend focuses on the dazzling light as Jesus' divinity is unveiled to the three Disciples for the first time. Spring is a great time of change – nature awakens and we begin to enjoy longer, brighter and (hopefully!) warmer days. We should feel encouraged by this, safe in the knowledge that Christ will reveal his love for us through our everyday lives.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Dachtler
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"Love proves itself by deeds so how am I to show my love?" St Thérèse of Lisieux

