

# February



## Reading Newsletter By Mrs Moore

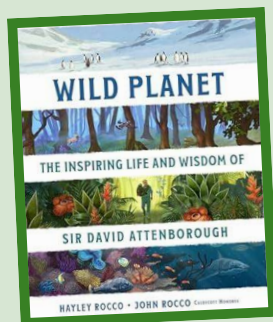
### World Book Week Edition

#### Diary dates:

- World Book Week  
WB: 3/3/25
- World Book Day  
Thursday 6th March

#### What's happening?

Wear pyjamas and  
book swap  
(see below for details)



This March, we will be studying Wild Planet, celebrating the life and work of Sir David Attenborough. This book serves to raise awareness and hope about the importance of 'rewilding' and restoring harmony to our planet. Our school theme for March is Creation. Each class will use the book as stimulus for creative writing, as it links to our Year of Service and Pilgrims of Hope mission. Children will be encouraged to look after our 'Common Home' and to be good stewards, by 'Loving Jesus in all we do'.



As part of OPAL play, we will be designating a 'GSA Speaker's Corner' on our playground throughout the month of March. Children will be encouraged to be loud and proud, to raise awareness about looking after our planet. They will also have the opportunity to create posters and placards.



**WE NEED 450 BOOKS  
SUITABLE FOR 4-11 YEAR OLDS.**

### GSA Book Swap

#### WE NEED YOU!

This March, we would like all children to have a book for World Book Day. **Each child is encouraged to donate a good quality pre-loved book to school by February 13th.** Each class will have a donations box from Monday 27th January. The books will then be wrapped (to give a mystery vibe) and distributed to children on World Book Day.

**If you can donate brown parcel paper, this would also be a great help when wrapping the books.**



# Pyjamas



On March 6th. you are invited to wear your pyjamas to school. If you prefer to dress up or wear your school uniform, then feel free to be yourself.



## Sir David Attenborough



Sir David Attenborough has led such an exciting and inspirational life. In order to get the most out of World Book Week, why not head to your local library and read up on this real-life superhero. Create a fact file together, make a diorama or draw a picture or placard. Hand in extra work to Mrs Moore, which will be displayed in the library. There will also be a pledge station in the library for children to use during March.

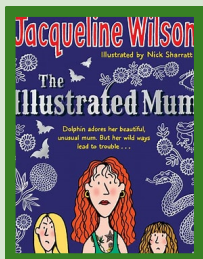


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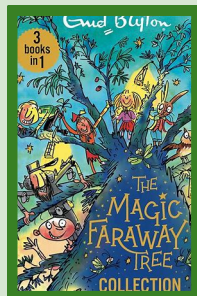


## "Rock up and Read" Book Club

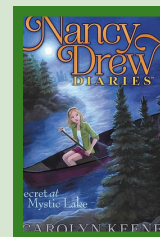
The children were buzzing this week when discussing their Christmas book gifts that they received. Thank you for helping them to love books as much as we do here at The Good Shepherd. Our chats got us thinking about what books our school staff loved as children. Here are a few of their favourites:



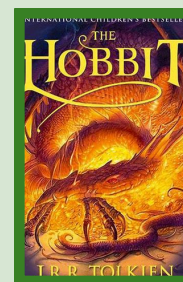
Miss Sweeney loved The Illustrated Mum because she thought the mum covered in tattoos was soooo cool. She also queued up to get a copy signed at Waterstones in town at about 9 years old.



Mrs Toner loved The Magic Faraway Tree books and said that she read them over and over again!



Mrs Woodward loved Nancy Drew books because she was a strong, female character, who had good detective instincts.



Mr Barfield loved The Hobbit because it's adventurous and a fantasy novel.

## Book Vent Voucher Winner

A HUGE congratulations to Poppy, in 4MT, for the winning entry to our Book Vent competition. We hope you buy something exciting to read, with your voucher.

