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Newsletter



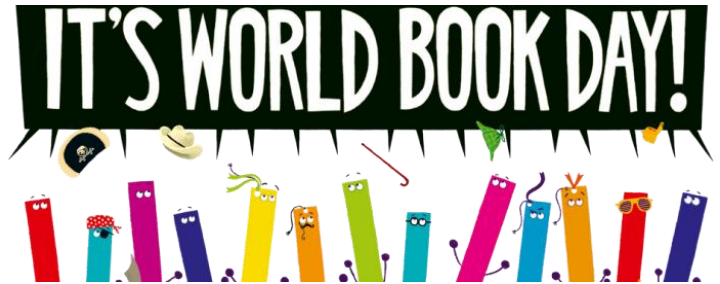
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World Book Day

Thursday 5th March marks this year's World Book Day and here at TRJS, we will be holding a number of special events to celebrate reading on the theme of '**Share A Million Stories**'.....no costumes required!



World Book Day Reading Café - Wednesday 4th March, 3.45-4.45pm, Barton Library

Miss Murfin invites pupils from all year groups (and their parents, carers, siblings, relatives and neighbours ☺) to **bring along a favourite book** from their childhood to share with each other. There will also be a scavenger hunt plus story themed games and activities to enjoy, all washed down with the usual refreshments and tasty treats, kindly provided by Mrs Brammar! There'll also be the opportunity to return or borrow some of the library's newest children's titles. Please pop along and show your support.

No need to book - just turn up ☺



The Big Booky Breaktime Book Swap - Friday 6th March

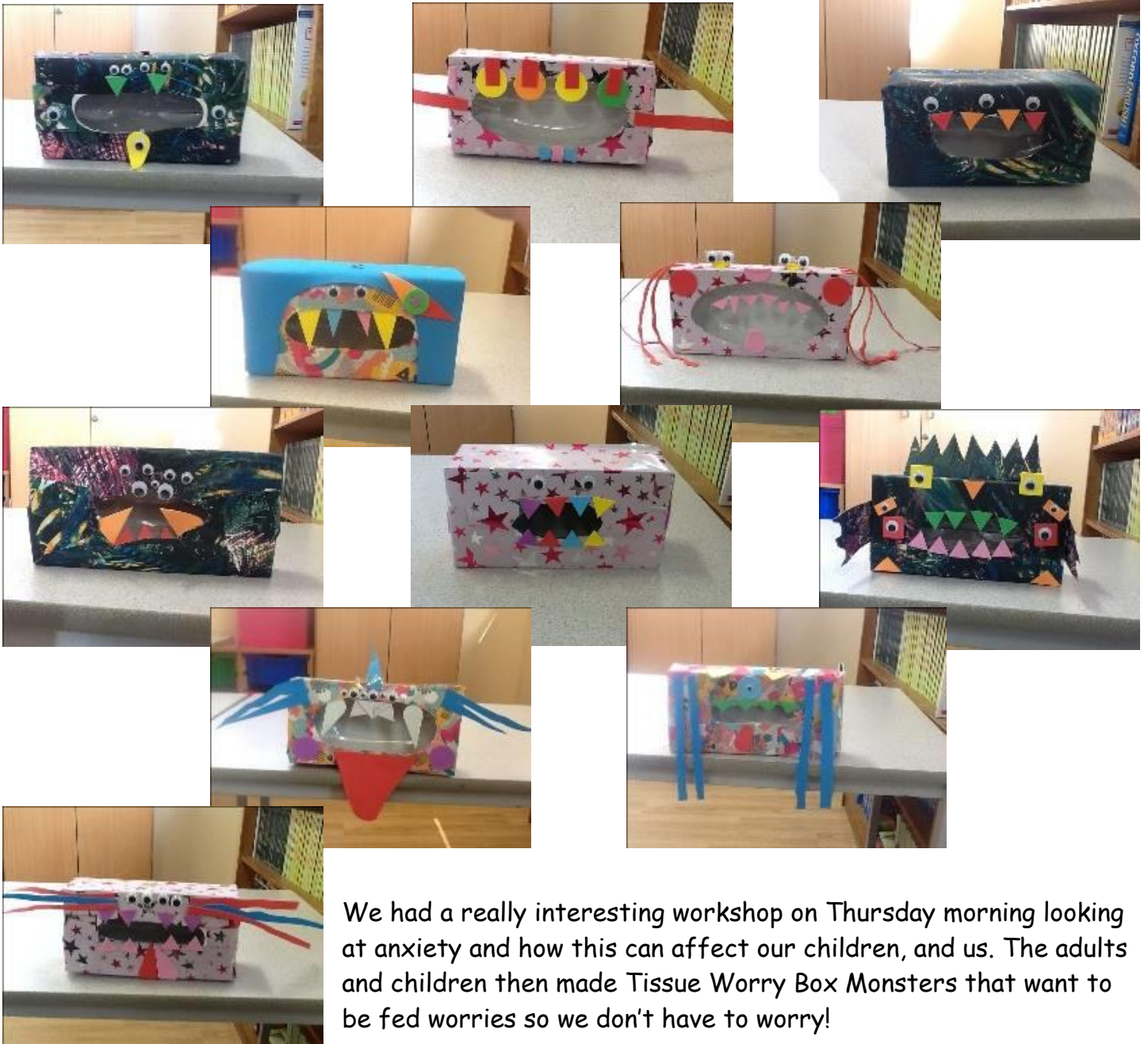
Got a good read that's gathering dust at home? Want to refresh your bedroom bookshelf? Then try our **Big Booky Book Swap** event! Drop off a book in the Hall before school on Friday 6th March and in return, receive a token to swap it during morning break, for another that's also been donated. A great way to inspire some new reading choices and save pocket money at the same time!

Finally, don't forget to check your child's book bag for their World Book Day letter and complimentary £1 token to purchase one of the ten new World Book Day books. These are available from participating retailers, including H & H Spalding, Tesco, Sainsbury's, WH Smith and Waterstones. Then take some time out together to read for pleasure and reignite a love of sharing stories.



You'll soon feel the benefits! ♥

Helping Hands Coffee Morning



We had a really interesting workshop on Thursday morning looking at anxiety and how this can affect our children, and us. The adults and children then made Tissue Worry Box Monsters that want to be fed worries so we don't have to worry!

We are looking at other workshops that we can offer: anger management, emotional resilience, social and communication skills were some suggestions. Look out for further details - or if you have any suggestions for us, or want some help or advice please get in touch with either Mrs Kerr-Delworth or Mrs Jones.

Y5 Bikeability

Our children in Y5 will be taking part in a couple of days of lessons and activities for Bikeability on Monday and Tuesday next week – please watch out for a few extra cyclists on the roads as you arrive at school on both of these days.



Assemblies

Next week the objective of our assemblies is *'to research, discuss and debate topical issues, problems and events that are of concern to them and offer their recommendations to appropriate people'*.

We have chosen the subject of 'Flooding' for this because of its timely relevance and importance to our local area. We will, however, be discussing the issues more broadly than this, on a national and global level. We recognise that it could be a sensitive subject for children and families who have been affected locally. We will be investigating the reasons for flooding around the world and in Britain - including linked to extreme weather and climate change - and what is being done and needs to be done about it.

Please let us know if you think your child might be upset about what we will be discussing so that we can put the right support in place.

CHILL- Children's Health Information for Lifelong Learning

Parent Workshop

I am delighted to announce that we will be holding a parent workshop on Thursday 23rd April, from 7pm - 9pm, hosted by YESS - Youth Emotional Support Services

Do you want to know more about your child's mental health?

Do you want to learn tips on issues and how to support them?

Impact from Social Media

Sleep

Low Mood

Anxiety



Places are limited - please book promptly to avoid disappointment.

To secure your place, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.uk and use the code: **yqv9b**

Please note - this course is for adults only - there will be no provision for childcare as it is in the evening.

Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe