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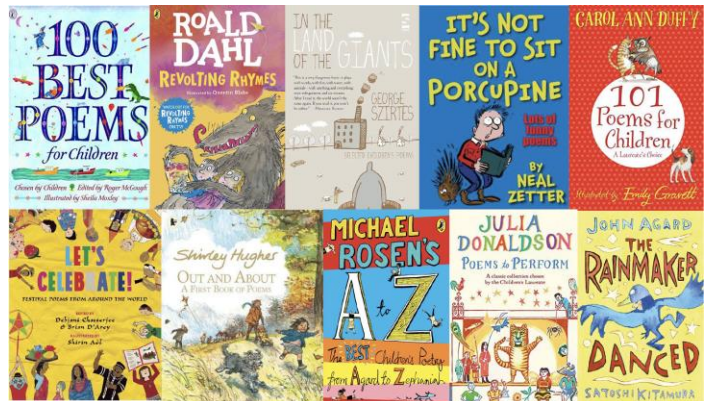
20th April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Poetry Week: Monday 26th April – Friday 30th April 2021

Next week, we will be celebrating and enjoying another 'Book Week', our focus this year is on **Poetry**. The children will be spending time engaging in a number of exciting activities throughout the week. This includes, making their own poetry anthology, and listening to and performing a range of poetry. Our staff are looking forward to taking part in a teacher reading poetry swap. We have also invited a poet called Adisa the Verbaliser who will be performing to the children in KS2. The aim of the week is to encourage and promote a love of poetry and to continue to inspire our children to read a wide range of books. We would love for the children to bring in a copy of their favourite poems or nursery rhymes to share with their class.

On **Friday 30th April**, we invite the children and staff to **dress up** as their favourite or well-known character from a poem or nursery rhyme that they know and pay **£1.00**. Think of some classic nursery rhymes such as; The Owl and the Pussy Cat, Mary had a Little Lamb, Old Mother Hubbard or some modern classic poems such as; Gran (from Gran Can You Rap), the boy from Michael Rosen's 'Chocolate Cake'.

For some inspiration, have a look at the websites below:
https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/
https://clpe.org.uk/poetryline/s?f%5B0%5D=bundle_name%253APoem&f%5B1%5D=bundle%3Aclpe_poem

Last term, we handed out the annual £1 book tokens. Although the date printed on them suggests that they have now expired, shops that sell the books are still honouring them whilst stocks last. So please don't forget to choose your free book before they sell out!

Yours sincerely,

Miss E. Baxter, Reading Co-ordinator