

# WORLD BOOK DAY!



## Somerset School World Book WEEK!

Somerset School were so excited about World Book Day that we extended it over the entire week to support this great charity and our own whole school SPaG action plan.



Activities ranged from short story creative writing competitions, a detective reading challenge to solve a murder mystery, book quiz and an illustration activity. In the afternoon we welcomed Chris Ewan who is a local author to inspire future creative writing across the School.



In addition to the activities above, between Monday March 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup> students were involved in a reading challenge. On these days, at any time in the school day, the children could decide to read. Staff used timers to record how long students read for and a record was kept through the week to log how long each individual student read for in school. There were prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place and also for the team who clocked the highest aggregate minutes of reading.



There were also prizes for fancy dress, entries made for our own short story competition and for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the national short story competition.

As with all such events some of our students prefer to attend their lessons on such days due to a variety of reasons. This is always supported by staff and gentle encouragement is offered or activities redirected to their classrooms.



It proved to be a fantastic week celebrating books and reading. Among other highlights one of our students managed a brilliant **8hrs and 43 minutes of reading!** A number of other students were over 3 hours which is just wonderful.

Looking forward to next year for an even bigger and better event!