Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School Special Report: Spring 1: Friday 15th February 2019







With Book Week coming up 4th - 8th March, we thought it would be great to encourage children to be thinking more about books while having some time away from school. There is a lot that you can do at home (and abroad) to encourage reading in your family.

'Extreme Reading' – Where is the most unusual place that you flick through the pages of a book? Please take a picture during the break of you or your family reading in an interesting place or location. Parents, grandparents, governors, children and staff are all invited to take part!

We would love to share as many photos as we can.

World Book Day—Thursday 7th March – Dressing up as a favourite book character.

Hero or villain? What can you create to inspire others at the Compelling Character Playground Parade? If you can find a copy of your book to share with others too – all the better. Need inspiration? Visit https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/





Would you like to enter Radio 2's '500 Word competition'? You can view previous winning entries as well as gain some inspiration on their website https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00rfvk1. There are great prizes for this prestigious competition. The closing date for entries is Friday 8th March - so get writing now!

Why not have a look at all the books we have written ourselves and published at Chevening? We have produced over 700 copies and they have been sold to locations from AU to ZA (Australia to South Africa). There are digital versions to download as well as paper copies. Lulu is the publisher we have been using (http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/Chevening).

Cryptography Challenge—This Alan Turing inspired competition is in full swing and the teams are jostling for places. Each chapter of an intriguing story ends with a coded puzzle to solve. The story is fun in its own right but we are thrilled to find that we have three teams on maximum points and a further few teams zooming up the leader board. Thank you so much for your encouragement and support. I believe that Chevening is the only primary school taking part; and against the secondary schools, we have five of the top ten places in Kent. Amazing - but a warning - it gets much harder from here onwards! If you would like to catch up with the developing story and/or have a go at the puzzles you can find it at https://www.maths.manchester.ac.uk/cryptography_competition/index.php Also, you can see the local schools leader-boards for the last 3 weeks on the Chevening website. (https://www.chevening.kent.sch.uk/computing-1/)