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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Monday 30 January – National Story Telling Week**

Today in assembly the children were introduced to National Storytelling Week.

National Storytelling Week takes place every year and is a celebration of the power of sharing stories. Stories teach us about the world, they allow us to step into someone else's shoes and feel empathy, they help us to relax and escape and they can help develop essential literacy skills.

At school we use many tools and a range of media to help us tell stories. These include:

- Oral retelling and recording on a story tin or using Seesaw
- Helicopter stories
- Role play
- Small world toys
- Make it up Monday using story stones and story sacks
- Story boarding grids
- Plus, many more!



To help raise the importance of reading, knowing stories and creating our own, we are setting the challenge to all the children to create their own story or retell their favourite story in their own words. They can choose any way they want to share this back with us (some resources can be found alongside this letter) and these can be used to help if needed. Only one is needed, so choose the appropriate style or come up with your own.

To be in with a chance of winning a **£10 Amazon voucher** to buy new books and experience new stories, simply share your retell or own story back with us by **09 February 23**. This can be shared via seesaw, email: [Year1@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Year1@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk) or [Year2@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Year2@purbrook-inf.hants.sch.uk) or sending their stories in on paper.

Stories can be oral, pictures and scribed by an adult, picture and labelled by child and/or written by child. Please encourage your child to challenge themselves at the level they are capable to achieve.

We can't wait for you to share your ideas with us.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret  
**Headteacher**

