

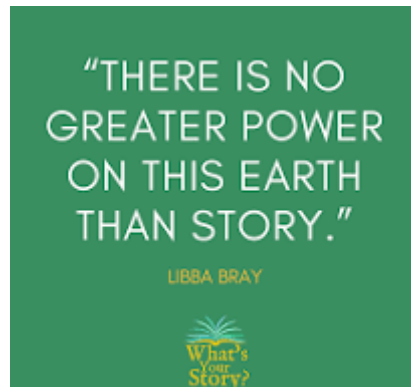
International Languages Week

(week beginning 27th January 2025)

and

National Story Telling Week 2025

(week beginning 3rd February 2025)



This year for **International Languages Week**, we will harnessing the wonderful tradition of oral story-telling.

We are very lucky to have many bilingual pupils and staff in our school and will be inviting some of our adults to share a story from their home country or cultural background.

Activities include:

- Talking about the origins of stories and the gift of telling and re-telling stories down the generations
- Teaching children some key vocabulary within the story and asking them to do actions when they hear the word.
- Using puppets to act out the story
- Providing (older) children with extracts of the story with a picture and ask them to use Text Detective skills to 'get the gist'

The following week is **National Story-Telling Week** where children will have the opportunity to plan and retell their own stories orally following **live online storytelling workshops** as follows:

- Reception/KS1 with **Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho**, writer of the picture book *Our Tower*
- KS2 with **award-winning author Tola Okogwu**

Children will create their own stories taking inspiration from these author 'visits,' with an emphasis on telling these stories orally – using story maps, drama, puppets or story boards.