

Little Misses and

PUPILS from Skippers Hill Manor Preparatory School in Five Ashes near Mayfield, brought children's book characters to life with a vibrant costume parade.

Children from Kindergarten to Year 2 came dressed as their favourite Mr Men or Little Miss character, while pupils from Years 3 to 6 came dressed as a character from their favourite book.

Kate Alexander, head of English, said: "It is so important to get children to engage with books from an early age."

"Young minds need books to feed their imaginations, with reading and storytelling playing such an important role in growing-up."

MR MEN: Sarah Davies, William Morley, Henry Sheffield, Ted Burke, Molly Jones and Freddie Russell, of Year 1, Skippers Hill

Sacred Heart students have cake and eat it

CHILDREN from Sacred Heart School in Wadhurst got into the spirit of World Book Day.

They dressed up as their favourite characters and took part in drama workshops, book swaps and put on a cake sale.

They managed to raise more than £130 for the children's book charity Book Aid International.

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Parents are allowed to join the fun at nursery

WORLD Book Day kicked off a jam-packed schedule for Springfield Road Day Nursery's own literacy and numeracy month.

Parents joined in for story time with their children and took part in a range of activities to encourage an interest in reading.

Hungry

March also marks the 45th birthday of popular children's book The Very Hungry Caterpillar.



Mr Men go on parade

Pupils discover origin of Shadow of the Minotaur

INSPIRATION was the word of the day at Uplands Community College after author Alan Gibbons paid a visit to give pupils a glimpse into the life of a writer.

Students were left brimming with enthusiasm for books, reading and writing following the talk and workshop session with the award-winning author.

Mr Gibbons, author of Shadow of the Minotaur and Dark Spaces, came to the college in Wadhurst as part of World Book Day.

During his visit he gave the children a behind-the-scenes

look at the life of an author, explaining how he started out as a writer, where his ideas come from and the themes he uses in his work.

He then set the whole of Year 11 a creative writing assignment. Theo Richards, assistant head, who is in charge of literacy, said: "I am delighted that some of our reluctant readers have had the chance to work with Andy in small groups."

"It has been an inspiring and motivating experience for all involved, one that will encourage students to become lifelong readers."



PRIVATE READING: Alan Gibbons at Uplands Community College



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