



## Powerstown Educate Together National School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As our new building continues to make steady progress, we are envisaging permanent features for the building.

We would like to make sure that the languages, cultures, traditions and beliefs of all our pupils and our families are represented through artistic works and displays in the school and library resources.

We are seeking **names of traditional stories from different countries** e.g. Cúchulainn (Ireland), The Lion's Share - Qayb Libaax (Somalia), Wawel Dragon (Poland), The Tortoise with the Pretty Daughter (Nigeria). We are hoping parents may be able to guide us to the most popular and/or important stories.

We are also seeking **names of spiritual/religious stories** that may be important to your family. E.g. the Story of Hanukkuh (Jewish), Ark of Nuh (Islam) / Noah's Ark (Christian), Story of Ramayana (Hindu), The Story of Creation (Atheist), The King's Elephant and the Dog (Buddhism), The Reward (Judaism).

It would be much appreciated if you could complete this short questionnaire and return it to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

If you have any books that you wish to donate to the school library, please give them to your child's class teacher. We are seeking books about different countries, cultures and religions. We are also collecting books in different languages and bi-lingual books.

If you have knowledge of any books that you would recommend that the school purchases, please write name of book on form above.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Helena Trench (Principal)

Child's Name:	Class:
Child's Nationality:  Story/Myth/Legend from this country	Parents/Guardians' Nationality/Nationalities:  Story/Myth/Legend from this country / countries: (a) (b)
Language(s) child speaks:  Important phrases in this language(s) (a) Welcome: (b) (c) (d)	Language(s) parents speak:  Important phrases in this language(s) (a) Welcome: (b) (c) (d)
Religion/belief (if any):  Important story from this belief:	Religious / Spiritual celebrations important to your family: e.g. eg Wesak; Diwali; Eid-al-Fitr; Solstice; Vaisakhi; Christmas; Hanukkah?
Secular celebrations important to you: eg Earth Day; Africa Day; Kwanzaa; Mother's/Father's Day etc	
Any recommended library resources:	
Any other comments:	