

Nursery Newsletter
June 10th 2022

This week we have been...

- Reading a new story called 'Handa's Surprise' by Eileen Browne. This is a beautifully illustrated repetitive story set in the village of Luo, in Kenya.
- Familiarising the children with book-based vocabulary like front cover, back cover, title, blurb, author and illustrator, and talking about how (in English) we always begin reading from left to right. We've been using our pointy fingers to follow along with words when reading books and on the interactive whiteboard.
- Looking at and tasting various fruits and vegetables—this week some of the children tried roasted butternut squash.
- Comparing groups of objects, estimating which group has more/less, and counting to make sure.
- Starting to work on adding and taking away numbers below 10, using the fruits from the 'Handa's Surprise' story.

Next week we will be...

- Continuing to learn the story of 'Handa's Surprise' by using finger puppets and story-mapping to help retell the key events and introducing 'Handa's Hen'.
- Creating colourful artworks of lions in the style of young Kenyan artist Sheilah Sheldone.
- Continuing to compare groups of objects, estimating which group has more/less, and counting to make sure.
- Continuing to work on adding and taking away numbers below 10, using the fruits from the 'Handa's Surprise' story.

To help at home you could...

- Encourage the children to add together two groups of objects less than 10 and talk about 'more' or 'less'.

Any other business...

- We hope you all had a wonderful half term break. The children have enjoyed telling us about all the things they did!

Have a lovely weekend! Jo, Belinda, Ros and Lesley (The Nursery Team)