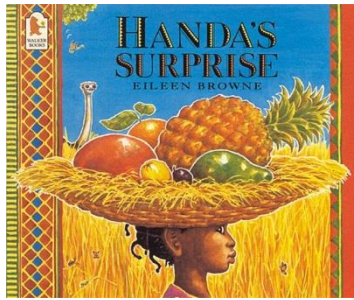


Reception Newsletter  
Friday 23rd February 2018



**This week in Reception**

Our focus book for this half term is "Handa's Surprise". This story is set in Africa and is about a little girl walking to her friends house with lots of different fruit. The children have enjoyed exploring the story and we have done some amazing learning based around the book. In our Literacy lessons, the children have been sequencing the main events of the story. We have been using our phonics skills to attempt to write some very tricky words from the book like guava, avocado and ostrich! In our Maths lessons we have been counting backwards from 10. The children have been using the story sack to add one and take one away from numbers to 10 using the fruit from the story. In Geography this week, Mr Bateman came to see the children learning. We made a map of our school and talked about where in the world we live. The children looked at globes, maps and atlases using magnifying glasses to zoom in on countries that they were familiar with. During continuous provision the children enjoyed making their own treasure maps or building different structures that may be found in a particular part of the world.

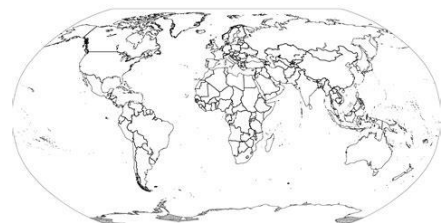
We have really made the most of the lovely, sunny weather this week, with the children choosing to learn in the outdoor classroom. They have been busy making dens and assault courses and it has been so lovely to see them working together as a team. Well done to you all for a lovely first week back at school.

**Next week in class**

We will be continuing to look at the story next week, focusing on the different characters in the book. The children will be creating some beautiful pieces of art to be displayed around the KS1 corridor. In our Maths lessons the children are going to be measuring fruit and liquid to make our own smoothies. They will be trying some new fruit and vegetables from the story and be designing their own healthy fruit cocktail. We are trying to encourage the children to become independent so as of next week, the children will also be making their own toast for snack. Please continue to provide 25p per week per child for this. Many thanks.

**Homework**

Thank you to those parent who have sent in their pictures of their front doors. If you have not already done this please could you either send via tapestry or email into school - [admin@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk)  
You will find your child's homework in their book bag this week.



**Important dates**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March reading workshop for all parents in school.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March Mother's day afternoon tea for Y3/4 Mums and Grandmas 2.00pm-2.30pm

Y5/6 2.30pm-3.00pm afternoon tea

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March - afternoon tea for EYFS (Mrs Smith's) class 2.00pm-2.30pm

Mrs Ramsay's 2.30-3.00pm

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Easter activity Day - If you would like to help on this day then please contact school.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am - Easter Around the World Celebration - All Welcome.