

Welcoming Handa's Surprise!





This week we set about introducing black history to the children. We focused on a particular story called Handa's Surprise where the moral of the story was being kind and thoughtful to one another. It illustrated a little girl in Africa preparing a basket of fruits to take to her friend, but has a few unexpected surprises en route. The children embraced the story as we drew on aspects of Africa, costume, jungle animals, delicious fruits where each child sampled them all. We listened to tribal music and we played the drums to Anansi's tale encouraging counting and beating to the rhythm. We used steel pots and pans to resemble steel drums and this proved great fun and learning for all. Mary, one of our lovely black members of staff demonstrated to the children using bananas that different coloured skins is only a superficial thing, it's what's on the inside that counts!!



Theme of the week

Week 4

Black History
Jungle Animals

Pumpkins



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Black History - Leaders of the world Looking at authentic African cuisine/cooking Pumpkins



NAME PLATES have been placed into your child's book bag please refer to this daily to aid



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Are you enjoying the newsletter? Do feed back and let us know.



Winner for the 2nd consecutive year!!

Best Preschool in North London

Star of the Week Ilhan



For excellent effort and participation in all the activities this week in particular the 'Grandparent's concert.'

Well done!!

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iteracy:

This week will begin looking at sounds and letters of the alphabet. We follow the read, write, inc (RWI) tool where the children learn with actions and sounds to recall the letter.

Our letter of the week is 'b'. This is another bouncy sound as we bounce a ball saying 'b, b, b'. Please see the link below to download the letter sheet for practice. Please do reiterate the sounds we do in class to support your child's learning. We shall be doing this within the classroom too. Words beginning with 'b' -ball, bat, bike, brother, broom and so forth.

Please click on the link below to download the practice sheet.

https://cdn.oxfordowl.co.uk/2023/07/19/11/32/16/d725e71d-4a79-47c4-953d-ca2706c5d1b7/rwi_RPhO_SSPS_Set1_b.pdf

Recommended Books for reading:

Book of the week for Caterpillars:

My First Heroes (Black History) by Campbell

Book of the week for Butterflies:

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Little Leaders (Bold women in Black History) by Vashti Harrison

Positional language and similarities and differences with objects, shapes, etc.

xpressive Arts & Understanding of the World

Butterflies and Caterpillars will continue with the theme of Black History with an emphasis on powerful leaders or those who have made an impact in the world. We shall be cooking with the children some African/Caribbean dishes for them to try. We will also look at South America, another large continent to see what languages are spoken there; i.e., Spanish and Portuguese (if anyone can speak these languages - please shout out so we can invite you in to share with the children).

<u>hysical</u>

Using animal movement and dance to get fit. We shall be listening to different music genres, Latin American, Caribbean and African music with famous pop idols with whom little children can identify with. Additionally, we will get some football practice in as South America plays some superb football.

Well Done Leah-Marie



This week Ollie is awarded to Leah-Marie who has demonstrated excellent effort all round but best of all her toilet training is coming on in leaps and bounds. Leah-Marie will take Ollie home for one week.

Chicken Shed Tales 'Cinderella in Boots'

I have had a number of interested parents sign up to attend the Chicken Shed on Monday 11th December at 12 noon. This is open to Butterflies & Caterpillars

The length of the performance is 50 mins. Children will have their packed lunch in a designated area prior to the performance. Details on departure to the venue etc will follow nearer the time.

If anyone has yet to let me know whether they wish to sign up to this, please could you do so by close of tomorrow, Monday 16th October so I can secure the seats.

We are eligible for special pricing at £6 per ticket for adults and children.

The performance is geared from 0-7 years - it's a fun interactive occasion with plenty of singing. Everyone, young and old should enjoy it.

Grandparents Morning a complete success

Thank you to everyone who came and watched the children sing their hearts out and we hope you enjoyed receiving your rose ...



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HWPPL Statement

In light of the recent developments with HWA, HWPPL would like to reassure all our parents/ families that we will be addressing the email circulated to ALL HWA members requesting a retraction of several points which are misleading and false. We intend to keep you fully informed.

Please bear with us!

Bring a Pumpkin to nursery

Don't forget to bring a "pumpkin" into nursery by Tuesday 17th October, preferably one that your child can carry rather than the biggest one. We will be busy, carving and decorating pumpkins this week in readiness for Halloween.



Book rota as follows until half-term:

Sophie

Wednesday 18th October

Don't forget to give in your name to a rep, Gabriella, Anasta or Victoria, if you wish to read to the children after half-term. The children value a parent coming in to read and thoroughly enjoy meeting someone new each week.

Allergies

Please note lunch boxes or snacks should
NOT contain boiled eggs, or
Any nuts or traces of nuts and kiwis.
Water or milk only please
No Popcorn - choking hazard
Please cut grapes in half length ways



NO fruit juices or fizzy drinks

Dates for the Diary

October - Black History Month

A time to celebrate the diversity and inspiration
of culture and history

Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th October
Each child to bring in a pumpkin

Thursday 19th October
Caterpillar Parent's Drop in Morning
10.00-11.00am

HALF TERM 23-27 October

Sunday 29th October
British Summer Time EndsREMEMBER Clocks go back 1 hour

Monday 30th October Return to HWPP

<u> Tuesday 31st - Halloween</u> Halloween Fancy dress

Sunday 5th November
Bonfire Fire Night at HWPP
FUN & FIREWORKS - ALL WELCOME