

Dear Parents,

14th March, 2022

This week we will be building on our knowledge of Africa and reading the story of Handa's Surprise. We will be comparing the lives of an African child to our own experiences.

We will look at some exotic fruits that are in the Handa stories and some other less familiar fruits as well. **Please could you bring in a fruit for cutting and tasting** - we are hoping for some fruits that the children may not be used to so that we can broaden the children's experience. If you aren't able to get anything exotic then any fruits or berries will be fine - the wider selection we have the better! We are hoping to do most of our fruit investigation work on Thursday and Friday so please don't worry if you aren't able to bring anything until the end of the week. The children will be using their senses to explore how the fruit feels, smells and tastes. They will weigh the fruit, draw it, discuss likes and dislikes and have a go at cutting up the fruits to prepare fruit salad or fruit kebabs. We will learn about our senses and also go on a senses hunt.

In phonics, the children will be learning the sounds; **ure, er and ow**. The will also learn the HRS words **tall** and **ball**.

In maths, we will be investigating equal groups of objects and starting to double numbers to 10. We will be decorating butterflies making sure each wing has the same amount of decorations. We will also be comparing the size of the fruit and weighing the fruit that Handa carried.

Best wishes,

The Rother Team