

Hazelbury Primary School

Nursery News Summer One



Thank you to all the parents who have already updated their 'All About Me' page on Tapestry and uploaded photos! We have loved seeing all the fun things you have been up to!

During this half term our topic will be '*What animals are around the world?*' We will learn about lots of different animals, and begin to learn the language to describe them, e.g. their patterns, their features, and so on. We will create our own jungle art work inspired by artist Henry Rousseau and have a go at using clay to make models of animals. We will explore instruments to create animal sounds, e.g. a drum for elephant stomps, a maraca for a snake slithering, and so on. We will look at basic maps of zoos and talk about what these are for, and create our own, and develop our communication and language in our new animal themed role-play areas.

The children will also have the opportunity to learn about other cultures as we will learn about Ramadan and how it is celebrated. Outdoor learning will also continue as normal so please ensure that your child comes to school with appropriate clothing and footwear for outside, and please ensure they have a minimum of one full change of clothes, including socks.

Celebrating Achievements:

The children loved our topic about growing and changing, watching our caterpillars turn into butterflies, and planting their own seeds to nurture and watch grow! They experienced going to the shop to buy some fruit, they tasted different fruits when making a fruit smoothie, developing their hand-eye control when cutting the fruit up. They celebrated World Book Day with a bedtime story and a visit from Little Angel Theatre Company, where they participated in a workshop and created their own mixed media butterflies. The most fun was had during science week however, where they participated in different science experiments, learning about absorption, repelling, and chemical reactions! Thank you to all the parents who also joined us for all our events: Mother's Day and Easter Fun!



Why Not Try This at Home?

During this topic you might like to take your child to see some real life animals. The zoo, farm and aquarium are all amazing places for this! Hackney City Farm and Mudchute Farm are both free to visit, along with many others! You could visit the library and find some non-fiction books about animals and learn some new facts. You could also talk about caring for the environment in order to look after the wild animals by not littering and encourage your child to put their rubbish in the bin.

Don't forget to upload any photographs onto Tapestry!

Top Tips for Talking:

This half term's top tips:

- use things your child is interested in for play, follow their lead and make sure you're physically at their level while playing.
- if you notice your child looking or pointing at something, talk to them about it before they lose interest in it.

Makaton Signs:

Please see this half term's signs linked to our theme. Why not practise these with your children at home?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YCnwpA_SW5s

They also loved this story this week:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XoHn8rLj9pc>

Key Info:

Please send spare clothes in with your children to leave in their lockers in case of a toileting accident, as well as a clearly labelled water bottle.

Thursday 2nd May: Polling Day – School Closed

Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday

Friday 10th May: Reading Café (time TBC)

Wednesday 15th May: Class Photos

WB 20th May: Walk to school week

Tuesday 21st May: New Reception 2024 Admissions Meeting for Parents – Large Silver Birch Hall
8:45am and 4:30pm

Friday 24th May: Last day of half-term

Where Can You Find Us?

If you would like to keep up to date with what is happening within school then you can find us using the apps and website below.



Instagram Username:
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Twitter Username:
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School Website:
www.hazelbury-primary-school.co.uk