



We will be starting to think about other things that grow and change at this time of year, noting the changes around school. Following on from our Farm on Wheels visit we will be naming and sorting animals and their babies.

We will be thinking about journeys, linked to our class text and making a map of Handa's journey through the story.

We will be continuing to read 'Handa's Surprise', making story maps and retelling the story using actions. We will be looking at other books by the same author such as 'Handa's noisy night'.

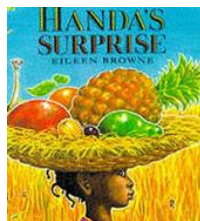
In RE we will be learning about upcoming Holy Week and the events of Palm Sunday, the Last Supper and Good Friday. Children will be looking for the sign of the cross around school and in our classroom and thinking about what it means to us.

Focus words this week: *vertices, change, palm, supper, crucifix*

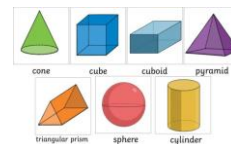
Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Handa's Surprise



Maths Focus:



We will be exploring 3D shapes. Take your child on a shape hunt and see if you can spot:

Cubes, cuboids, pyramids, cylinders or spheres

Encourage them to name solid shapes with their correct names, and use language such as faces, edges, round, straight and vertices with your child.



Rhyme of the Week:

Snail

Snail Little snail, little snail, On the rocks,
you leave a trail.
Carrying your house upon your back,
Taking so long to glide down the track.
And even though you're not very fast, You
don't mind if you come in last.

Story Time

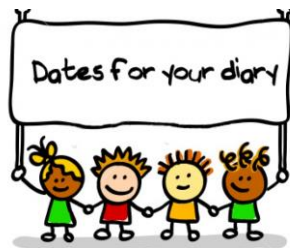
Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

1000 story books will be changed on Mondays this half term.



This week the children will:

- Naming and sorting animals and their babies
- Use the construction and small world toys to make a farm/ zoo using our previous experiences.
- Listening to the story Handa's Surprise and learning actions to retell the story.
- Using the characters to tell the story of Handa's Surprise.
- Writing the story of Handa's Surprise.
- Watch our plants growing and changing inside and outside.
- Check on our cress and notice the changes.
- Look at different 3D shapes and their properties.
- Making bubble wands using different shapes outside.
- Making baskets by threading material.
- Making a map of Handa's journey in our story.
- Acting out the events of Palm Sunday



Wednesday 29th March – Road safety afternoon. Parents welcome 1-3pm

Friday 31st March – Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg Diorama Competition.