

# Bessemer Primary School Newsletter



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## Nursery Newsletter 08.12.23

### Our Week

We have had a great week in Nursery, we continued celebrating our differences by reading the story 'My World, Your World'. We spoke about our similarities and differences in terms of food we like to eat, activities we like to do at school and many other things.

In Maths we have been looking at patterns, we enjoyed making repeating patterns using various objects including coloured cubes and natural found objects.

It has been a lovely week in Nursery.



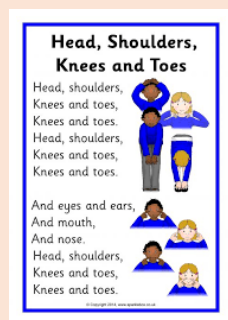
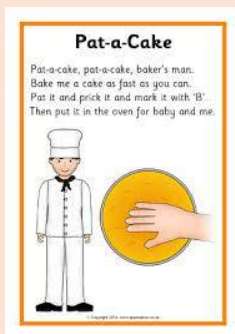
## Nature Garden

We enjoyed our Nature Garden session this week, we went on a Scavenger Hunt to look for sticks, leaves and other natural found objects. We then used these objects to make repeating patterns.

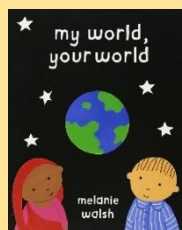
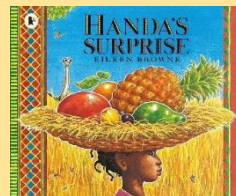
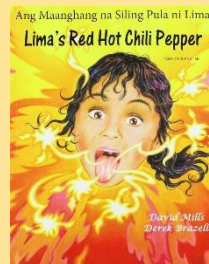
It was a lovely morning.



## Songs of the Week



## Books this Half-Term



## Key Vocabulary

This week we have been learning about our differences similarities amongst ourselves This is the vocabulary that we having been teaching and using with the children. Please continue using this vocabulary at home with your child.

**Family, Different, World  
Countries, Greetings  
Clothes, Celebrations**

## Listening & Attention - Body Percussion

This week we have been learning about using different parts of our bodies to make various sounds and rhythms.

### Home Challenge!



Ask a grown-up at home if they can remember any playground clapping games from when they were at school. Can you learn one and show it to your friends?



### Things to remember...

#### **Dates to remember**

- **Nursery Christmas Carols** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 3:00pm in top hall.
- **Last Day of Term** - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2:00pm.

#### **Core Books**

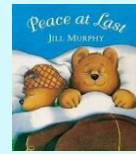
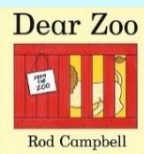
In order to support our emergent readers in Nursery we use a core book scheme.

Nursery will have four core books that will be read throughout the year on a regular basis so that the children are able to retell the story themselves, even though they will not be able to read the words. This builds the children's confidence in reading and allows them to see themselves as a reader. It also supports their storytelling, speaking and their understanding.

There will be numerous copies of these core books in the setting, along with the rest of the high-quality texts on offer, and there will be opportunities for the children to take it in turns to take a copy home with them. If you have access to a library or are able to visit a bookshop/ 2<sup>nd</sup> hand book shop, such as Oxfam on Half Moon Lane, it is also a nice idea to have these books at home to expose your child to these books further. The core books have been chosen to reflect the children's interests, develop specific skills and support our focus on diversity and challenging stereotypes.

The core books chosen for Nursery:

- *Oi Frog* by Kes Gray & Jim Field
- *Dear Zoo* by Rod Campbell
- *Peace at Last* by Jill Murphy
- *We're Going to Find a Monster* by Malorie Blackman & Dapo Adeola



Many thanks,  
The Nursery Team

**Ladybird** - Olivia Howard & Nekay Lewin



**Butterfly** - Anastasia Owusu, Jodie Speer & Samantha Baker

Jaci Doherty working throughout both classrooms

