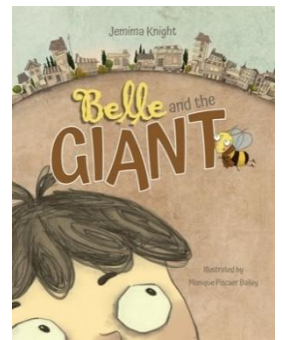
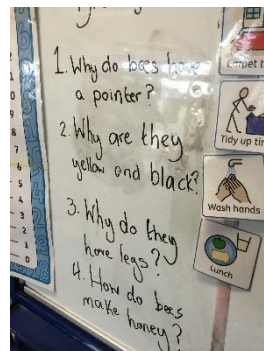


# Nursery Newsletter 26.05.23

## Our Week

We have had a great week in Nursery. We finalised our topic 'minibeasts' with a focus on 'bees' and the children really enjoyed it. We sparked the children's curiosity by creating a bee trail with a note left from a bee which read that she needed help to be saved. We then read the story '*Belle and the Giant*' which tells the story of caring for our environment and the importance of bees. The children enjoyed carrying out many activities around this, including using cut outs of our hands to make bees and making delicious honey sandwiches. We also put on our thinking caps and made a collection of questions relating to what we would like to find out about bees. We then generated some QR codes and the children enjoyed using iPads to find information about bees. It has been a lovely week in Nursery.



## Nature Garden

We enjoyed our morning in the Nature Garden. We made some lovely bees with playdough, pipe cleaners and googly eyes. We enjoyed our usual water play and lastly the children enjoyed taking turns on the tyre swing. It has been a great morning in the Nature Garden.



## Reading

This week in Reading we have been sequencing stories in the correct order.



## Home Challenge!

Share a favourite story with a grown-up. After reading the book, talk about what happened in the story. What happened first? What happened in the middle? What happened at the end?

## Things to remember...

### Dates for the Diary

- **Ladybird Library Trip** - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (9:30am -11am)
- **Butterfly Library Trip** - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (9:30am-11am)
- **Nursery Trip to the Horniman Museum** - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (9:00am-3:00pm)

### Ladybird Class Parent/Carer Helpers

Ladybird Class desperately need Parent/Carer helpers for the trip to the Horniman Museum on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023. If we are unable to gather a safe number of adults, then unfortunately we may not be able to attend. If you are a parent/carers and you would like to volunteer on this trip to support us, please let the Ladybird class teacher know.

### People who Help Us

Next half-term, Nursery will be learning about people who help us. If any Parent/Carer is a Dentist, Doctor, Vet, Nurse, Police Officer or Firefighter, please make the class teacher aware as we would love for you to come in and speak to the children about your profession and what it entails. It will also give the children the opportunity to ask questions about things they would like to know.

### Trip to the Horniman Museum

Next half-term, Nursery will be going on a trip to the Horniman Museum on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023**. This is an excellent opportunity for your child to engage in a musical workshop. The children will have the chance to play a wonderful selection of world instruments, whilst exploring clothing, masks or puppets from each country. A letter and parentmail regarding the trip has been sent out. Please give consent for your child to attend the trip by **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023**.

### Core Books

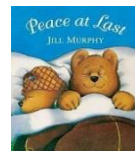
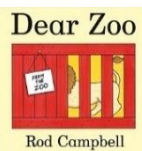
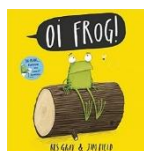
In order to support our emergent readers in Nursery we use a core book scheme.

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

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**Butterfly** - Anastasia Owusu, Gina Collingridge and Jeanette Gayle  
Jaci Doherty working throughout both classrooms

