

## Things you can do to support your child's learning

Borrow our core story to share with your child, and watch a version of this story celebrated by the Winner of the Children's Film Awards 2011.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9iFinAnkUyw>

Do volunteer to join us on our trip to the local allotments and garden centre, or on any other outings that we make during the coming term. Just speak to a member of the nursery team.

We would love you to come in and share stories with our children in your home language. Please speak to a member of the team and we can organise this at your convenience.



### A request from Blue and Green Room to enhance your child's learning further

We are looking forward to restoring and extending our Mud Kitchen outdoor area. If you have any pots and pans or other kitchen utensils that you no longer require, do speak to Mandy in Blue Room .

**DON'T FORGET TO LOOK OUT FOR OUR RECIPES OF THE MONTH—HEALTHY TREATS TO MAKE AND EAT WITH YOUR CHILD!**

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**This Term in Blue & Green Room**



**Spring 2  
2018**

More detailed plans are done on a weekly basis. These are displayed for you to view but please ask if you would like your own copy. We will also keep you updated in our weekly 'What's Happening'.

**Jeśli potrzebujesz tłumaczenia na język polski użyj numeru.**

যদি এই অনুবাদ বাংলায় চান তাহলে উপরের সংখ্যায় যোগাযোগ করুন.

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# THIS HALF-TERM IN BLUE AND GREEN ROOMS

## What we think our children will enjoy learning

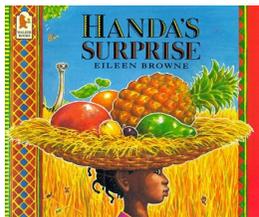
Last term children showed a lot of interest in building and construction.

Children's creations have included quite intricate details, such as stairways, doors, windows, adjoining rooms, and even a swimming pool! Some children have even created a floor plan of their home.



We look forward to exploring this further, giving the children the opportunity to take this learning wherever their vivid imaginations may lead. We can also link this to our core story through exploring the diverse homes and communities across a number of countries.

Last term many of our children showed great interest when cooking and baking. This interest was inspired by our core story, *'The Gingerbread Man'*. It was a pleasure to see the children's knowledge, understanding, skills and confidence grow as we explored a range of recipes. This will link with our core story this term, *'Handa's Surprise'*, as this includes a wide range of delicious fruits. We will be visiting our local allotment grounds to prepare the soil, getting this ready for the planting season. We will explore this setting using our range of senses. We will draw upon the children's suggestions and ideas as to which herb, fruit and vegetable groups they would like to plant.



## What we would like to teach our children about

Many children have continued to enjoy and demonstrate great interest in a wide range of physical activities outdoors. It has been a joy to observe a 'can do' attitude, as the children have challenged themselves to progress and develop their skills. Some children displayed great interest, as they explored Bradford City Football stadium. We will focus on teaching more ball skills and have planned 2 sessions for two Bradford coaches to come to Midland Road to develop this further.

Children have also demonstrated an interest in travelling in different ways throughout our outdoor area. We will extend this by introducing different musical and movement styles across a range of cultures. This will link well with our core story, which is set in a country in Africa.



We will be focusing on maths in all areas of the nursery: inside, outside, at lunchtime, group time and snack time!

Our core story will give us lots of mathematical problems to solve as the animals take Handa's fruit from her basket. We will introduce and explore the concepts of one more, one less, adding and subtracting.

**World Book Day** is on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March**. This brings the opportunity for us to celebrate many authors, illustrators, books, which capture our interest and love for reading. Please come and read to our children! It's also an opportunity for your children to dress up, sharing their favourite book character or superhero icon. Midland Road staff will join in too!

**The lifecycle of eggs**— these will arrive week commencing **5<sup>th</sup> March**. We look forward to caring for them and observing them closely as they hatch and grow.



**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March** is Mother's Day, otherwise known as Mothering Sunday, We look forward to taking this opportunity to provide a range of activities where your child can celebrate and share their love and care for mums and mother figures.

Following our children's interest in cooking, we wish to invite you to a **'Make your own packed lunch workshop'**, which will be held on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**. We look forward to exploring a range of healthy packed lunch options with you and your child.

**Reminder**- Nursery closes for Easter holiday on **Thursday 29th March** and will re-open on **Monday 16th April 2018**. The **Extended Provision and Children's Centre Services** will be open as normal but closed on **Friday 30th March** for Good Friday & **Monday 2nd April** for Easter Monday.

