



# Holmewood Nursery Curriculum Newsletter 2

It's been a busy few weeks at Nursery. We have been reading and enjoying our first 'core book' *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen. The children have loved joining in with repeated phrases and using different voice sounds when reading. We have also been busy outdoors helping to plant bulbs and notice the beginning of changing seasons!

Our core book is

*We're Going on a Bear Hunt*  
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



Listen to the story being read here;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2O17fe766nk>

**Key vocabulary**

Bear - hunt - family - house - bed - covers

grass - mud - river - snowstorm - forest - cave

swishy swashy - splash splosh - squelch squerch - hoo woo- stumble trip, tip toe

## Black History Month

October is Black History Month, which honours the history, traditions, arts and culture of Black people both in the UK and across the globe. At Nursery we will be focusing our learning around the story *Baby Goes to Market* by Atinuke Angela Brooksbank. We will be exploring and tasting different foods, talking about what we enjoy eating at home with our families, making shopping lists and some children will be visiting Brixton Market to bring back some shopping!

### Stories and Learning

**So Much:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=injID1jiWbI>

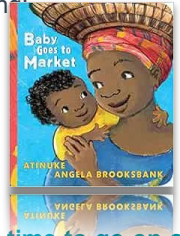
**Astro Girl:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bPM\\_KSPpH7Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bPM_KSPpH7Q)

**Handa's Surprise:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XyIV\\_xYi0as](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XyIV_xYi0as)

**My Hair:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=STbdTqICQJA>

**Jojo & Gran Gran - Windrush Special**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m001crtf/jojo-gran-gran-specials-its-time-to-go-on-a-voyage>



### Favourite Songs and Music

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sSR6klVaT74>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3GjZS4qgM5U>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3HzWCYVXcKo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3XtbMWK8Dk>



### Invitation for Parents to Share Stories, Culture and Cooking

To celebrate Black History Month and our diverse Nursery community, we **would like to invite parents to share about their cultural heritage with the children**. This could range from a sharing stories, cooking a favourite simple recipe with children, or sharing traditional clothing or costume. **If you would like to make a visit please speak to your child's key person to make arrangements.**



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## ***We have been learning to ...***

Use big gross motor movements to make large scale marks

Working collaboratively to make large scale constructions

Using natural resources to make transient art

Recording number using a tally



## **Activity for Home**

### **Autumn Scavenger Hunt**



Take a bag or container with you on a walk to the park or around your local area. *Can you spot any signs of Autumn?* Collect Autumn treasures such as conkers, colourful leaves and acorns. *Tell me about what you found? Is it spiky or smooth? Round or straight? Big or small?*

## **Core Book Activity**



In anticipation of our learning around our core book *Baby Goes to Market* by **Atinuke Angela Brooksbank** we would like you to send us a picture of **your child as a baby and/or a family picture**. This could be sent via Evidence Me, email, or printed and given to your child's key person. The photos will be used in our 'floor books' so your child can share about themselves, their family and how they have grown up.