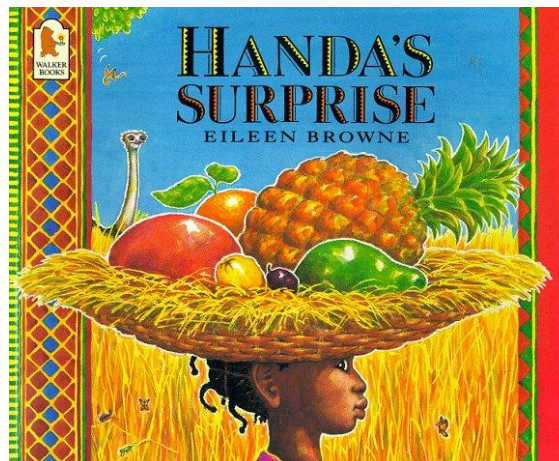




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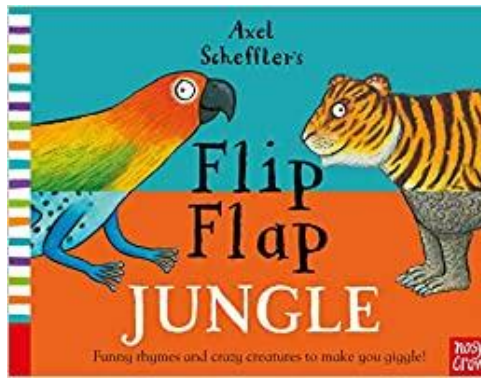
Our new stories are continuing the fruit and animals theme from last week and we are starting off with the wonderful **Handa's Surprise** by Eileen Browne. Read the story together and then try the story activities below, and the activities on the accompanying documents on the website.

Click on the picture to access a lovely animated version of the story online:

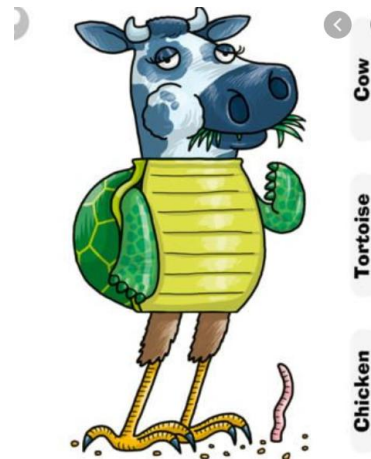


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- Read and talk about the story together. Look at some of the words together and practise saying them out loud whilst pointing to the word.
- Encourage your child to retell the story themselves. Talk about their favourite part of the story.
- What if something different happened at the end?
- Can you remember all the fruit that Handa put in her basket? Which animal ate which fruit – can you remember? What adjectives were used to describe each fruit? The soft yellow banana; the ripe, red mango etc.
- You might also like to look at this book together, which was a favourite in class, it's a series of poems about mixed up animals! The video flicks through the book really quickly – just pause it whenever your child sees an animal they like, and read the poem out to them!



- *What if you put two or more different animals together yourself? What would you make?*
- *Mums and dads, can you help your child draw the new animals you have created?*
- *What would your made-up animal be called?*
- *What names would you give to these made-up animals:*



- Can you remember the Welsh names for different fruit? We did this a few weeks ago. Can you teach your grown up the fruit and counting song we used to sing in school? Click the link to remind yourself of the words! [“Un,dau, tri banana”](#)



See below for next week’s story activities:

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This week you might like to read, Handa's Hen together – click on the picture to hear it being read on YouTube, with lots of counting together ideas too:



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- Read and talk about the story together. Look at some of the words together and practise saying them out loud whilst pointing to the word.
- Encourage your child to retell the story themselves. Talk about their favourite part of the story.
- What if something different happened at the end?
- Can you name the people who were in both this book and last week's book? Which book did you prefer, and why?
- What was the name of the Handa's hen? Can you draw a picture of the hen?
- Can you name the different animals in the story? How many of each type of animal were there? Can you count the different animals?
- Try singing this lovely Welsh song all about animals together, it's called "5 Crocodiles" which is "5 Crocodeil" in Welsh (click the picture to hear it):

