This week we have continued our learning around the curriculum theme of 'Amazing Africa'.
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Shared some wonderful stories based in rural Kenya. After reading 'We're going on a lion hunt' we created our own adventure by making a map full of obstacles to cross over, go through, creep under and go around. It was a great chance to use lots of different positional vocabulary.
We also shared the story 'Handa's surprise'. This time we thought about words we could use to describe the different fruits Handa put into the basket for her friend Akeyo and came up with our own words to describe our own favourite fruits too.
Put our weaving skills to good use by making our own woven baskets, just like the one Handa used.
Explored more, fewer and equal in our maths sessions by sorting the dominoes and have begun to recognise number bonds of ten. We listened to a great song called 'Farmer Pete' to help us spot them. Enjoyed 'World Book Day' this week; we dressed up as our favourite characters, shared some of our teachers' favourite stories, created bookmarks to take home, spent time in the reading dens with a good friend, listened to a fabulous story teller share a story about a trickster spider called Anansi and had a surprise visit from Mrs Walker's dog Polo. Don't forget to use your Book Day token to choose yourself a free world book day book from participating shops.

This week we would like you to practise counting back from different numbers. At the end of the year most children should be able to count up to at least 100 and down from at least 20 with confidence and accuracy.
Get active this weekend when counting. Ideas you could try:

- Count up and down as you walk up and down the stairs.
- Make a hopscotch game from 1 to 20 and use it to help you count forwards and back.
- When going down the slide or climbing along the climbing frame count down from 20. What number do you get to?
- Make a set of numbers from 1 to 20 and place them in different places around the house/ garden. Start at 20 then collect the numbers in order as you count down.
- Keepie uppies with a football, swimming, trampolining etc etc... you can count wherever you are!
Have fun whatever you decide and tell us how you got on. You can show off your skills in class next week.

