

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Our rhyme of the fortnight is:
Hello, Moon and Hello, Night**



(To the tune of 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star')

Hello, moon and hello, night,
Moon is in the sky so bright.
Twinkling stars are all around,
Shining down upon the ground.

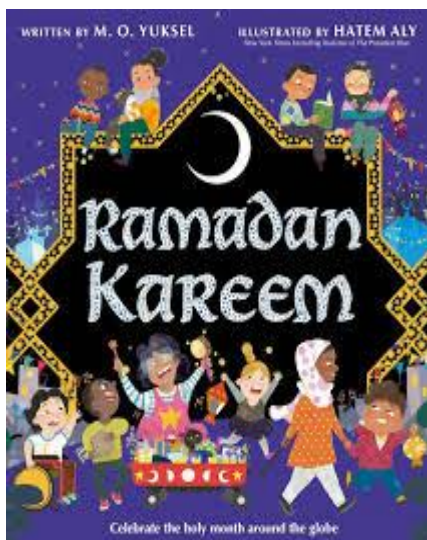
Hello, moon and hello, night.
Now it's time to say goodnight.

What to do at home together:

- Act out the nursery rhyme together using actions or props.
- Once familiar, experiment and play around with the words to make up your own rhyme.
- Discuss celebrations. Do you celebrate Eid? If so, what does this look like. If you don't celebrate Eid, talk about what you celebrate and how everyone has the right to choose their own religion and celebrations.

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Our book of the fortnight is: *Ramadan Kareem* by M.O. Yuksel



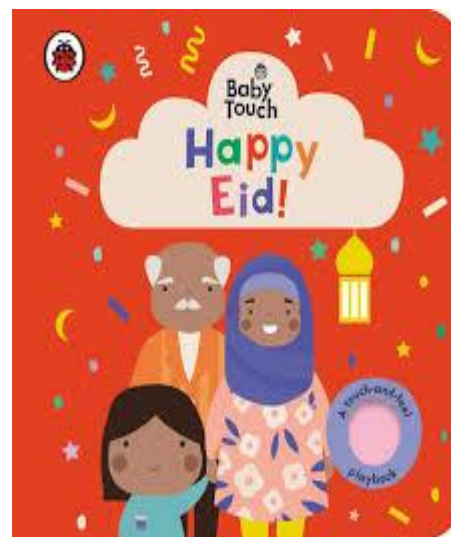
This book celebrates the joys and traditions of the holy month of Ramadan around the world. Join the characters and their families as they engage in a time of increased spirituality, fasting, prayer, charity, self-reflection, gratitude and empathy in the Muslim faith. This book promotes discussions around this important holiday that leads into the discussion of Eid.

How to get the most out of reading to young children:

- Sit close together. You could encourage your child to hold the book themselves and turn the pages, too.
- Take a look at the pictures. You don't just have to read the words on the page. What might they tell us about the story before we read the words?
- Ask questions and talk about the book. What do they think will happen next? Why did a character act in a certain way? How are they feeling?
- Have fun! There's no right or wrong way to share a story - as long as you and your child are having fun. Don't be afraid to act out situations or use funny voices... your little ones will love it!

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Our book of the fortnight is: *Happy Eid* by Ladybird

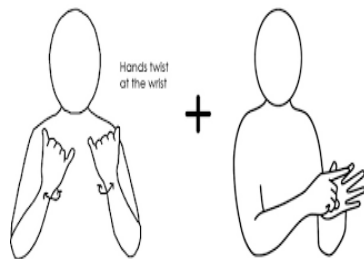


With simple text, bright illustrations and an exciting touch-and-feel on every double page, this board book helps to engage children's senses as it introduces them to the different aspects of Eid.

How to get the most out of reading to young children:

- Be expressive! How can we expect children to be engaged in a story if the adult reading it isn't.
- Picture books can be a great way to talk through your child's fears and worries, or to help them deal with their emotions.
- Give them space to talk, and ask how they feel about the situations in the story.
- Use props and toys to act out the story, either whilst you are reading it, or together afterwards.

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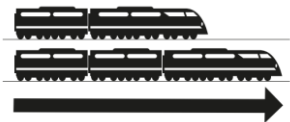
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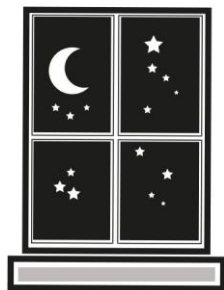
Spring

(Always remember to say the word as you sign)

Our Concept Cat signs of the fortnight are:



Long



Night

Our Right of the fortnight is:



This weeks' picture news discussion centres around the meaning of meetings.

Leaders from twenty countries have decided to come together to discuss how they can help the people of Ukraine. We will therefore be discussing with the children what meetings are and if they think they are a good or bad idea?

Article 38:

You have the right to protection and freedom from war. Children under 15 cannot be forced to go into the army or take part in war.



Lots more early years health information, activities and recipes can be found on the Startwell website:

<https://startwellbirmingham.co.uk/>

Sammy Skills promotes the importance of skills based play. Sammy Skills looks at the fundamental movement skills that children should be mastering. The fundamental movement skills are categorised as Locomotor, Stability and Manipulative.