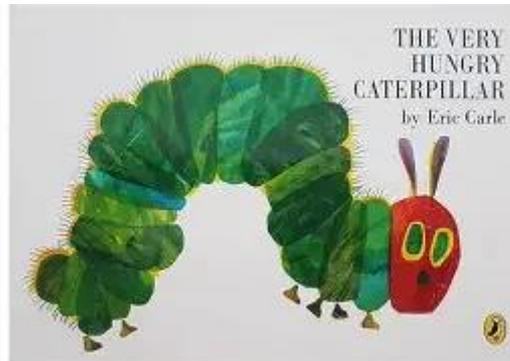


Nursery News

Week commencing: 02/03/2026 The Hungry Caterpillar



This week, we shared the story *The Hungry Caterpillar*. During carpet time, we used picture recognition to help sequence the story, as well as the life cycle of a caterpillar.

We talked about the different foods the caterpillar ate and discussed which foods are healthy and which are unhealthy.

We also talked about our nursery caterpillars, what we can see happening now, and what might happen over the next few weeks.



We went for a walk on the field looking for leaves, describing what they looked like and the different colours we could see.



Some indoor activities have included:

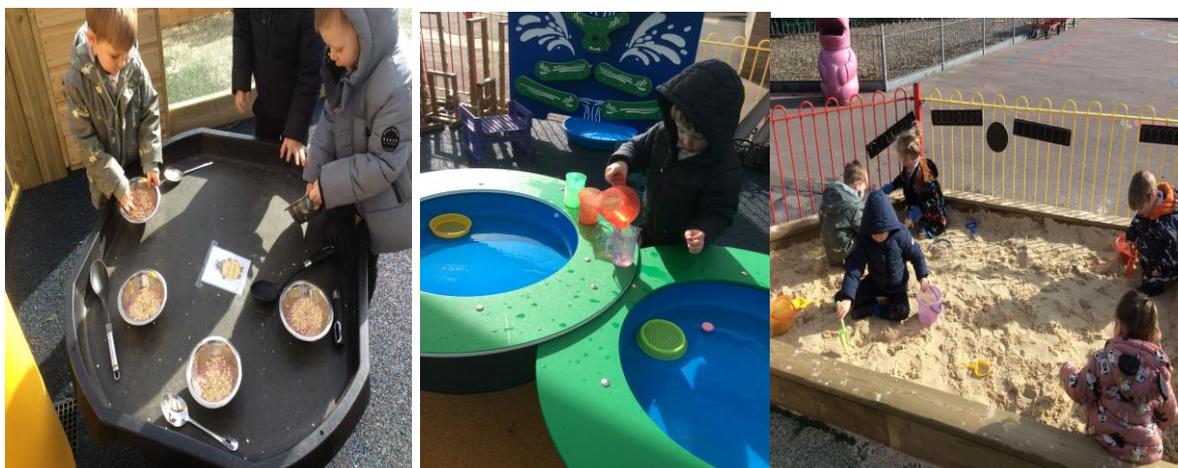
- Commenting on what they can see while creating butterflies on the light table.
- Posting lentils and rice into the caterpillar's mouth in the messy tray.
- Exploring and observing how sand moves through sieves while discovering mini beasts in the sand tray.
- Drawing lines, circles and other patterns when creating butterflies with chalk and caterpillars with dabber pens.
- Representing numbers on fingers while creating caterpillars using repeating patterns at the maths table.
- Exploring how water moves and is transported while collecting mini beasts using nets in the water tray.
- Smoothing dough in their hands and fingers to shape it into mini beasts.





Our outdoor activities included:

- Making *Gruffalo* soup in the mud kitchen.
- Using different shaped moulds in the sand pit.
- Collecting fish in the water tray using nets and looking at the different colours they could find.
- Counting frogs in the frogspawn.





We also had a lovely day celebrating World Book Day. We have included a couple of group photographs below.



Some activities you could try at home include:

- Putting on your own coat independently.
- Practicing recognising your name, especially the first letter, and trying to write it.
- Sharing a bedtime story together.
- Looking for different mini beasts when out on a walk.
- Counting from 1 to 5 or 1 to 10, and recognising digits 1 to 4.
- Talking about rhyming words - how ever silly they sound!
- When out and about begin looking for signs of Spring!

Have a wonderful weekend! We look forward to next week, when we will be reading the story *Jasper's Beanstalk*.