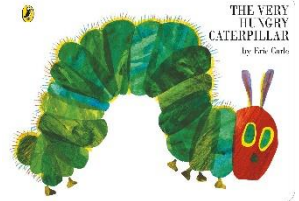
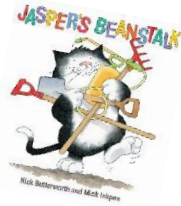
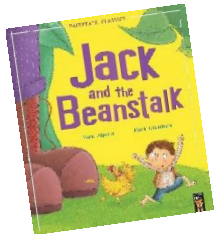




Summer term 2023



Planting, growing and changes!!



This half term we will start by introducing the stories 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'Jaspers Beanstalk'. Alongside this- to help develop children's understanding of growing and changes over time-we will be exploring planting beans and seeds and how we look after them to help them grow! Following this we will move on to 'The Hungry Caterpillar'.

We will be looking at a range of books around planting and growing to help children understand that information can be given through print as well as pictures. They will each have the opportunity to plant their own bean which they can choose to take home and look after with their families, encouraging them to share what they have learnt.

We will have baby Caterpillars arriving to pre-school this half term!

We will be learning how to look after and care for them and it's a great opportunity for children to observe a life cycle of nature.

It will encourage talk and discussions together, the using of questions and form an enthusiasm to find things out and develop their own knowledge.

We will be visiting Portchester Castle and a garden nursery!

To support the children in understanding that stories have a structure, we will use story sacks, as well as a small world table set up as a scene along with props. Words will also be added to encourage the children to use language such as 'once upon a time, in the beginning, the end, next, after' to demonstrate this.



To encourage the use of different mathematical language such as longer, taller, tallest, smallest, shortest, there will be a range of counting cubes, beads and sticks for children to make their own beanstalks. They will be encouraged to make predictions when comparing sizes and use different rulers and measuring tapes to check their answers.

