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**Friday 25th April 2025**

## What we have been learning...

This week we have been exploring our new core text: *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. The children have been finding out new information about the life cycle of a caterpillar. Very soon we will be getting caterpillars of our very own. Our butterfly nets have arrived and we are ready to receive our caterpillar eggs.

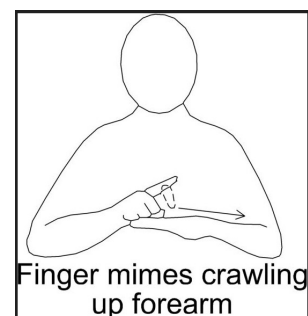


Each week we are going to introduce a new Makaton sign. Makaton is a unique communication programme that uses symbols (pictures), signs (gestures) and speech to enable people to communicate. It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language and expression.

**Our Makaton Sign of the week this week is:**

**caterpillar**

As we explore our new text *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*



Finger mimes crawling up forearm

Please can reading books be returned each Thursday so that they can be changed during key worker group time on Fridays. Thank you.



### Fruit Sharing

Thank you to everyone who brings in fruit for us to share at the beginning of each week.

If possible, we would like to ask parents / carers to bring fruit in any time in the week instead of only Mondays as we often run out mid week! This will spread the fruit more evenly across the week.

Again thank you to anyone who can contribute, we very much appreciate it!



### Nursery School Fund

Please remember to pay the weekly £3 fund. This can be paid weekly or termly in cash or by bank transfer. All money goes to resources used by the children. Thank you.

### Absence

If your child is unable to attend nursery, please contact the office before 9.30 on the day of absence. You can leave a voicemail on the phone if lines are busy. Tel: 01282 457235

## Learning at home

This week we have been using the outdoors to learn about butterflies. We have noticed there are lots of signs of spring appearing in our sensory garden such as our blossom tree. At home you could take advantage of the lovely warm spring weather and go on a spring nature hunt to identify all of the changes that come with the season of spring.



### Bikes/scooters

As previously informed, bikes, scooters, ride-on toys must not be played with in the outside waiting area of nursery. This is due to the health and safety issues they may cause such as trips, falls and collisions. We understand that some families walk to school and using a bike/scooter can aid the journey. However, please can you ask your child to dismount the bike/scooter and either park it in a non-hazardous location or keep hold of it whilst in the nursery grounds. Thank you for your support in helping to keep everyone safe.

### Key Dates

Monday 28th April—parents' meetings (Kiran's children)  
Thursday 1st May—parents' meetings (Emma's children)  
Monday 5th May—Bank Holiday—nursery closed  
Tuesday 6th May—Nursery open as usual  
Thursday 22nd May—Nursery closes for half term  
Friday 23rd May—Nursery closed for staff training  
Monday 2nd June—Nursery reopens