

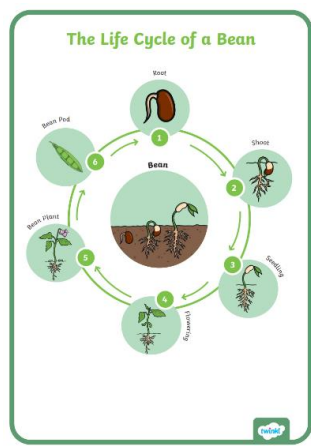
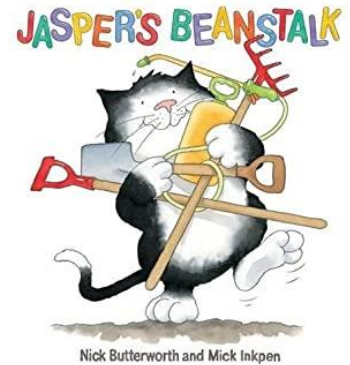
Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Parents and carers,

The children all arrived at school this week with so much excitement to share their bank holiday news with us. From tea parties, to days out and snuggly days on the sofa it sounds like you all had lots of fun.

The excitement continued as we found that one of our caterpillars had transformed into a chrysalis! The children thought it was probably cool dude. We then spent the rest of the week watching in amazement as all of the other 9 caterpillars formed their chrysalis. We should have butterflies within the next 2 weeks!

We are continuing our topic of growth and lifecycles this week and have been reading a new story called 'Jaspers Beanstalk'. To support this learning we have;



- Learnt how to draw a beanstalk
- Made beanstalks at the making table and the playdough table
- Built beanstalks out of Duplo and measured how tall they are
- Planted beans to grow our very own beanstalks
- Learnt all about the beans lifecycle
- Counted and matched the correct number of beans into a numbered flowerpot
- Worked together in a team to build a tall tower in the garden and count how many bricks we used
- Compare the size of beanstalks and order them from shortest to tallest

We have been learning a new song called 'I'll plant a little seed' ask your child to sing it to you at home.

Tune: I'm a Little Teapot

I'll plant a little seed in the dark, dark ground.
Out comes the yellow sun, big and round.
Down comes the cool rain, soft and slow.
Up comes the little seed, grow, grow, grow!

Please help your child to continue their learning at home by:

- Working on their targets with them.
- Doing some planting with them at home. It could be flowers in the garden or cress on cotton wool in an empty container. Please email any photos to acornclass@harefieldinfant.com
- Please look out for some letter formation sheets that are coming home. These are the sounds we have been learning in our phonics lessons. Encourage

your child to practise writing the sounds at home remembering to use their pinching fingers to hold their pencil.

- A weekly email will be sent to you informing you of the sounds we have learnt that week so that you can continue to work on these with your child at home.

We are still collecting activity money via ParentPay to enable us to buy some lovely resources this term including cooking ingredients and arts and crafts materials.



Have a lovely weekend.

Many thanks

Mrs Halligan

Nursery Manager