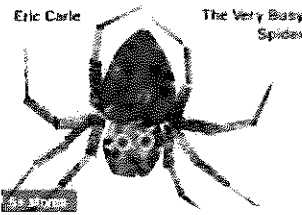

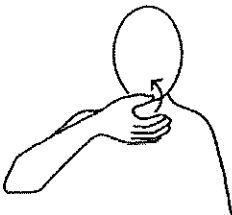



This week in Chestnut

We are here to help. If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to your child's keyworker or any of the staff.

<p>Book of the week: The Very Busy Spider</p> <p>Eric Carle The Very Busy Spider</p> 	<p>Rhyme of the week: Incy Wincy Spider</p> 	<p>Sign of the week: Drink</p> 	<p>Happy Thought of the week:</p> 
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Maths

We will be:

- Subitising using small groups of objects. We will show the children quick-flashes of bowls containing 1–3 objects (e.g. 1 dog, 2 chickens, 3 buttons) and ask children to say how many without counting.
- Representing numbers with marks. We will use cubes to count together and model how to record quantities using numerals, simple drawings, or marks. Children will then use pencils and paper to record their own counting, with support to explain their representations and compare different ways of showing the same amount.

Phonics Phase 1 Aspect 7 – Oral Blending and Segmenting

We will be:

- Introducing “The Sound Puppet” to support oral blending. The puppet will only speak in sounds and will need our help to say real words. It will whisper simple segmented CVC words such as “b-a-g”, “s-u-n”, and “p-e-n”, and we will listen carefully and blend the sounds together to identify the word (e.g. “b-a-g... bag”).
- Extending learning by allowing confident children to become the “teacher” and hold the puppet, saying segmented sounds for their friends to blend and guess the word.

Learning Opportunities

We will be:

- Making our own musical rain shakers.
- Exploring colour mixing and changes through creative activities
- Observing and talking about our sunflower plants and caterpillars
- Developing counting, sorting and measuring skills through practical maths activities
- Building fine motor and mark making skills using a range of tools and materials
- Exploring healthy choices through discussion, stories and role play

Help at Home

Sing with us!

We're excited to be holding a Singalong Day in nursery on Wednesday 20th May. Children will take part in fun musical activities, and we would love your support through sponsorship to help raise money for our outdoor area and equipment. We would also really appreciate your support on the day by joining in with the singing! Please see the letter sent home with your sponsorship form for further details.

Dates for your diary:

- Wed 20th May - Sing-a-long fundraising event.
- We close for May Half Term on Thursday 21st May (Friday 22nd is a training day) and return on Monday 1st June for Summer 2 term.