



April 2018

Dear Parents

This half term we are looking forward to welcoming our Summer Term starters to Green Shoots. Our activities will be focused around the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. We have a lovely story sack which we will use to enhance the story and encourage the children to participate. We are planning a caterpillar/butterfly wall display which the children will be able to choose whether to create a collage or paint.

For our 'stunning start', we will be setting up a caterpillar house so that the children can watch the stages of development first hand. Another activity which we are sure the children will enjoy is fruit tasting. They will be given the opportunity to taste all the fruits that The Very Hungry Caterpillar ate. We will make a chart of the results.

Our 'marvellous middle' will be a mini beast hunt. We will explore the school grounds with our binoculars and magnifying glasses to see what we can find.

We will be planting sunflower seeds again this year and hope for a bumper crop!

For our 'fabulous finish' we are looking forward to welcoming Zoolab with their Mini Beasts to Green Shoots on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, giving the children the opportunity to hold the insects if they would like to.

All seven areas of learning will be included in our activities along with more Phonics activities, focusing on Letters and Sounds.

Please feel free to let us know if you have an idea or item of interest relating to this half term's topic.

With kind regards

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