



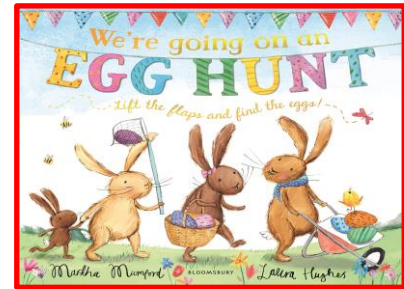
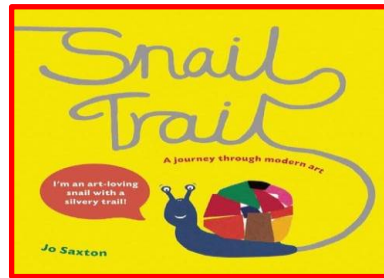
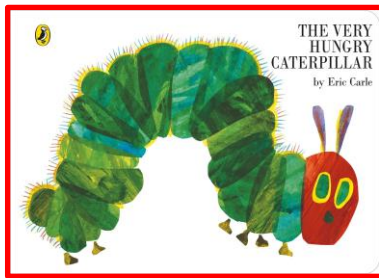
## Nursery Term 4


### New Life and Growing

Dear Nursery Families,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely half term break. This term our topic is called 'New Life and Growing', where the children will learn about life cycles and how we can care for the environment around us.

Some of the texts we will be looking at are:



<p><u>Understanding of the World</u></p> <p>To explore, begin to understand and remember the different stages of the life cycle of a plant through songs, stories and play. To plant, grow and care for your own seeds.</p>	<p><u>Mathematics</u></p> <p>To explore the number 6 through songs, play and numicon. To explore objects with different heights, lengths, mass and capacity, using real life objects.</p>	<p><u>Religious Education</u></p> <p>To explore how different people celebrate Easter around the world.</p>
<p><u>Communication and Language</u></p> <p>To begin listening when others are talking for a short story and start to remember what happens. To begin using words and actions to express how they are feeling To understand simple questions about 'who'. To begin initiating conversations with others.</p>		<p><u>Physical Development</u></p> <p>To use large outdoor resources To explore threading, using different tools and begin to show a dominant hand. To use a range of small objects to create and put into different objects or containers. To explore shape and direction in the marks I make.</p>
<p><u>Expressive Art &amp; Design</u></p> <p>To begin expressing my own ideas through the marks I make. To explore and manipulate different materials, using hands and different tools</p>	<p><u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u></p> <p>To begin to understand nursery routines and expectations To explore different emotions and what it looks like in others through play and stories. To begin confidently and independently playing with other children. To explore different rules and begin to understand why we must follow them.</p>	<p><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Read, share and talk about what is happening in the pictures of the book Use a range of materials to make marks in different ways Exploring stories in play To explore the sounds U, R, H, B, F, L, J. Explore the letters in their names, can they build and read their name. Hearing sounds in words or words that are similar to name rhymes.</p>

#### Useful Websites

[www.ictgames.co.uk](http://www.ictgames.co.uk) and [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk) for Literacy and Maths games.

Numberblocks Make and Play Game on CBeebies - CBeebies - BBC



### Children's Health and Wellbeing Notice

Please consider whether your child is well enough to be in Nursery as we have noticed an increase in children coming into nursery feeling unwell. If parents/ guardians bring children who are unwell into nursery, they will be politely asked to take them home until they are well enough to return. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this.

#### Quick Reminders

- Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle and spare clothing everyday.
- Spare Clothes - As the weather is unpredictable at this time of the year, please make sure that your child comes to nursery with a bag and some spare clothes inside.
- Wet Weather Gear - We are hoping to be outside everyday come rain or shine and therefore we advise you pack a coat, a pair of wellies and some wet weather gear for your child. We do have a number of spare wellies and wet weather trousers and rain macs.
- Packed Lunches - Just a reminder that packed lunches must be healthy and balanced. An example of this could include a sandwich/wrap/roll, a yoghurt, a piece of fruit/vegetables, crisps and a biscuit.
- School Dinners - If you would like to order a school lunch for your child, please ensure that you tell staff on the gate. If you think your child will have difficulties choosing what they would like for lunch, please ask the staff on the gate what the options are for the day. All school dinners are charged to the 'Parent Pay' app, so please keep an eye out to ensure all payments are up-to-date.
- Nappies - If your child is still in nappies, please can you provide nappies, nappy sacks and any creams they require.



#### Dates to remember

- Monday 20th February - First Day back to Nursery
- Monday 27th February - Parent's Evening. We would love to see all parents to discuss your child's development, their next steps and give you a chance to look at all the fabulous learning they have been doing over the past few months (showcased in their learning journals). It is also an opportunity for parents to talk to their child's key person with any questions they may have and meet our lovely new class teacher, who will be covering Miss Stubbs' maternity leave.
- Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day. We invite the children to come to the nursery dressed as a character from their favourite book.
- Friday 3rd March - Miss Stubbs last day of Nursery before going on Maternity leave.
- Friday 10th March - School Disco. For more information, please ask the nursery staff.
- Monday 13th to Friday 17th - Book Fair. For more information, please ask the nursery staff.
- Friday 31st March - Easter Service/ Last Day of Term. All parents are invited to watch the nursery performance as part of the Easter Service at East Hoathly Church.

Thank you,  
Miss Stubbs  
Nursery Teacher