

Week 3 work for Nursery

- 1) Story of the week: The Very Hungry Caterpillar from Eric Carle. There's a video posted on Dojo but attached is a pdf version of it.

Questions you could discuss with your child while reading or after reading the book:

- How many pears did the caterpillar eat?
- How many strawberries did he eat?
- Which day did he eat the most number of things?
- Which fruit is the juiciest?
- Which fruit has a big hard stone?
- Which fruit has lots of tiny seeds?
- What's your favourite fruit?
- Why did he have a stomach ache?
- What did the caterpillar spin around himself?
- Could you paint or draw a butterfly?
- Can you find words that begin with the sound 'b' for example beautiful butterfly, big book?

- 2) Painting a caterpillar using potato masher or paint with half cut fruits or vegetables.



Painting with fruit and veg: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F_ZUVcuS-Xo

- 3) Caterpillar counting game: The caterpillar head collects the body segments and so counts 1-10 in order.

<https://www.tvokids.com/preschool/games/caterpillar-count>



- 4) Finger painting caterpillars while counting and matching to the numbers. Younger children could try just painting with their finger to make dots and counting along. Older ones could try and paint along the line and start only making enough dots to match the numbers 1-5. They could try and draw the caterpillar head. If you have no paint, you could use felt tip marker to

colour the tip of the finger and stamp with it, or just draw the circles with crayons. We would love to see what you make.



5) Songs:

There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JOIbSEOCmNM>
(to the tune of *She'll be coming round the mountain*)

There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf (wiggle, wiggle)
There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf (wiggle, wiggle)
There's a tiny caterpillar, tiny caterpillar,
There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf (wiggle, wiggle)
He will eat the leaves around him 'til he's full (munch, munch)
He will eat the leaves around him 'til he's full (munch, munch)
He will eat the leaves around, eat the leaves around
He will eat the leaves around him 'til he's full (munch, munch)
A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home (spin, spin)
A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home (spin, spin)
A cocoon is what he's spinning, cocoon is what he's spinning,
A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home (spin, spin)
Then he'll be a butterfly and fly away (flap, flap)
Then he'll be a butterfly and fly away (flap, flap)
Then he'll be a butterfly, be a butterfly,
Then he'll be a butterfly and fly away (flap, flap)

Hungry caterpillar song : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-gNaNOWdg8>

I'm a very hungry caterpillar crawling around eating everything in sight that can be found.

I'm weaving a cocoon on a good size twig and I'm starting to get real big.

I'm eating so much you can hear me chew.

Chomp, chomp, chomp's all I want to do so much that I just can't stop.

I'm afraid that I might pop!

POP

I'm a butterfly flying about. I'm beautiful, I want to twist and shout.

HEY! A butterfly, it's a brand new day and I still hear my little friends say:

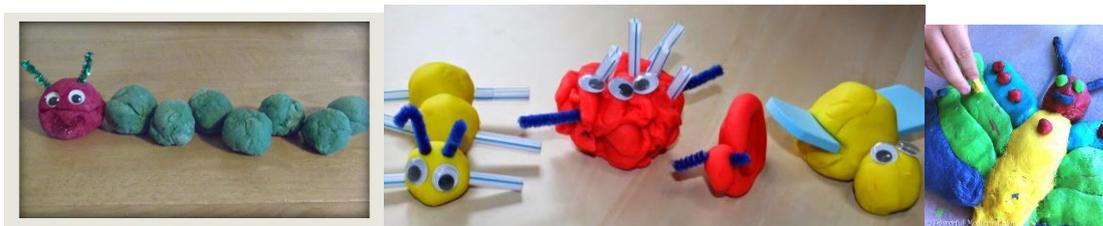
Repeat verse I'm a very hungry caterpillar crawling around, I'm a butterfly.

Fly fly butterfly: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jfIZseWtmyI>

6) Making playdough with the children: ---Here's a simple recipe without cooking:
 Mix 150g plain flour, 150g fine salt, 1 teaspoon of oil and 100ml cold water until it form a dough. If too sticky, add more flour. You can colour the dough before you mix all the ingredients together- e.g cocoa powder, turmeric, paprika powder, food colouring, instant coffee.



If you roll them out quite thin (3mm) the children can cut shapes, anything really and you could dry them in the oven on 100 C (about 3 hours). Once cool, the children can paint them.



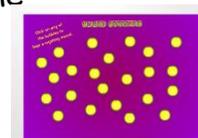
Make caterpillars, butterflies, bugs or whatever the children like. You could use pencils to draw on the dough too. Show us their creations on portfolio!

7) Phonics (Phase 1!) and listening games:

www.phonicsplay.co.uk login: march20 password: home

Phonics- Sound recognition: What could this sound be?

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/member-only/SoundStimuli.html>



Sound starters - Click the bubbles to hear different sound effects.
 Great for: Developing vocabulary for talking about sounds

Phonics- Animal sound recognition:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/member-only/AnimalBingo.html>



An interactive animal sound matching game. Listen to the sound and watch it to the picture.
 Great for: Listening and copying

8) Crafts



Using egg carton cut up and then painted



Using strips of paper to glue together like a chain

9) **Counting game with ladybirds**

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/ladybird-spots>



10) Playing skittles with toilet roll tubes. You could keep score sheets- 1 dot for each tube knocked down. Who has more? Who is the winner? Helps with following game rules and taking turns too- especially if you have more children!



11) **Water play - Video on ClassDojo**



From your kitchen collect:

Different sized cups, bowls, vegetable trays

Tablespoon, teaspoon, ladle

For younger children or if you have children under 3: let them explore turning the tap on and off and playing pouring and scooping. Let them watch the water dripping through the holes when the vegetable tray is filled.

For older ones: compare containers - which one can hold more or less water? How many green cups to fill the pink cup? Could they use the spoons to fill in the containers or spoon the water over into another cup.

12) **Some worksheets (see attached)**

Caterpillar pencil control sheet

I spy on what the caterpillar ate...