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## Dear Parents,

This week we focus on 'A Tiny seed' by Eric Carle and use the front cover to inspire our own art work. The book follows the story of the seed through the four seasons so we will be discussing the differences in the seasons and the merits of spring and summer for plant growth. We will also be encouraging the children to think of their own story about a seed and make seed packets for their own imaginary flower! The seeds we have planted so far have started to sprout and we will be planting more this week.

In phonics we will continue to consolidate all of the learning so far and focus on reading short sentences. Last week we included a bookmark for the children with a list of HRS words (Harder to read and spell words). We hope you will be able to practise reading these words with your child and we will change the bookmark when they are fluent in reading those words for more HRS words.

In maths we will focus on 2D and 3D shapes -using the correct language to describe them and trying to spot them in our environment. Please when you are out and about (or at home) see if you can do some shape spotting together.

As we are thinking about how plants grow this week, we will be use the opportunity to do some measuring. We will compare things by height and find out who the tallest and shortest person in the class is. We will order ourselves by height and make model flowers that are the same height as we are.

## Special request

If you have any old tights you could spare (not opaque or woollen) please could you send them in. We want to make grass caterpillars! Please look at the national children's gardening week competition website.

Thank you for all your support.

Best Wishes

Claudine Clarke and Megan Tonkyn

