



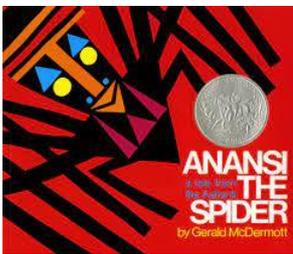
Little Hadham
Primary School
"Believing and Achieving"

Early Years Summer Newsletter 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

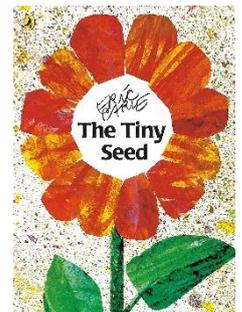
Welcome back everyone! We hope that you all had a happy and healthy Easter break and are ready and eager to go this Summer Term.

Our learning environment at school has undergone significant positive changes over the last few years. This year, we have refreshed our classroom furniture to ensure it is accessible and inviting for the children, and promotes independent learning. We have also been focusing on ensuring our outside provision is more sustainable by introducing chalkboard signage to replace laminated resources. We have also extended our water play area with guttering stands, which the children have really enjoyed investigating and exploring. Going forward, we are hoping to breathe some life into our sensory garden in our outdoor area, by involving the children in planting projects, to provide a calming space for the children to explore and enjoy.



To start the new term, we have based our provision on the theme of Minibeasts. Our key text for teacher-directed learning is currently Anansi the Spider by Gerald McDermott. After half term, we will be reading The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle, which will fit in nicely with the growing provocations we will have going on in our learning environment. As ever, if your children are engaged with a particular story or theme, please do let us know!

These windows of engagement are very precious vehicles for learning. Thank you for your support with this!



Phonics will continue for both Ash and Saplings. Saplings will now start to explore blending through games and stories, and Ash will be continuing to strengthen, develop and acquire new special friends, as well as building their knowledge of sentence reading and writing.

A few things to note:



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Please keep posting on Tapestry! Your input is really appreciated and encouraged, so please do keep sharing those wonderful moments with us.

Please do check to see if the names in clothing are still visible and have not fallen off or come off in the wash. It is also very useful to have named spare items of clothing too; thank you for your help with this.

Do check our class pages for fortnightly blog posts, and also information about our curriculum:

You can find the Ash page here: <https://littlehadham.herts.sch.uk/pupils/ash/>

You can find the Saplings page here: <https://littlehadham.herts.sch.uk/pupils/saplings/>

We will be doing gymnastics in place of yoga this term, every other Tuesday. Please make sure hair is tied back (this is important every day).

We will be having our school trip to Hatfield Forest on June the 4th. If you have not yet responded via Arbor / the school office, please do so at your earliest convenience.



Lastly, we do ask for a £5 voluntary contribution each term just to help us with the small incidental things like ingredients for playdough/cooking, sensory items and also things specific to the children's interests. Thank you so much for your support with this; such generosity makes such a huge impact.

We are really looking forward to the rest of the term ahead!

The Early Years Team