

Hello nursery children!

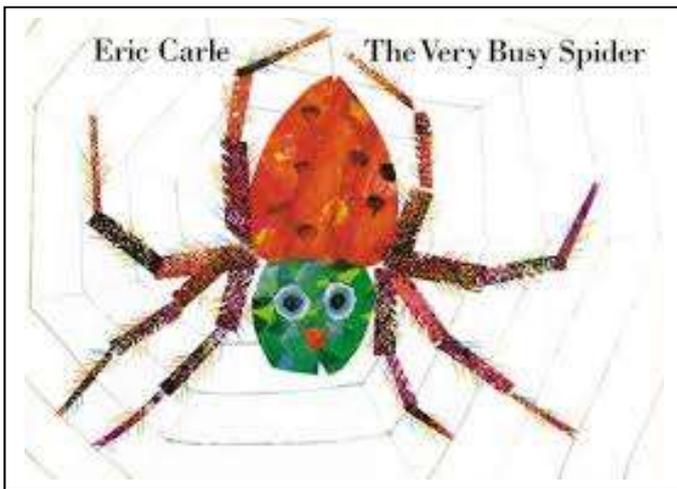
It was lovely to speak to some of you and your grown ups this week. Hearing your voices made me smile and really brightened up my day!

This week's story always makes me smile too. It's called 'The Very Busy Spider' and the author is Eric Carle. Who can remember what an author does? The story is about a spider who meets lots of animals as she spins her web. I hope you enjoy the story and the activities. Please ask your grown ups to email any photos / work to me: nursery@ashgrove.cheshire.sch.uk or Tweet them: @ashgrovenursery

I look forward to hearing from you!

Lots of love from

Mrs Wolvin



Watch the story 'The Very Busy Spider' being read using the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nEPYKmlt4dU>

CLL, L, PSED

Discuss the story together.

Can you tell me what happened in the story?

Why didn't the spider answer?

The spider did not answer when the animals spoke to her – was she being rude?

The goat tried to get the spider's attention – what did he say?

When it was naptime, who took a nap? What did the spider do?

Who caught the fly?

The owl wanted to know who made the web but got no answer. Why not?

UW, CL, PSED

You could go on a minibeast hunt outside. How many spiders did you see?



You make a mark to show which minibeasts you saw.

Junk Modelling Spider EAD, UW, CL, L, MD, PD

Let's get creative and make a spider. How many legs does he need? Raid the recycling bin to find resources to make your spider. Or you could make a spider using Lego, Duplo or building blocks. Tweet or email pictures of your spider creations – I'd love to see them!



PD, EAD, CL, UW, MD



Thread some wool or string through a paper plate to create your own spider's web.



You can also do this with a basket or colander.

Threading activities are great for developing children's fine motor skills.

EAD / MD / UW

Learn all about spiders and how they make their webs with Auntie Mabel and Pippin.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UQ2RzDI0vvM>

Sing along with 'Incy Wincy Spider'.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YAJynCIsNUg>

PSED, EAD, CL, UW, MD, PD

You could have a go at making some spider cakes.



Here is a link to the recipe:

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/spooky-spider-cakes>

You will need:

- 200g butter, at room temperature
- 200g golden caster sugar
- 200g self raising flour
- 4 eggs
- ½ tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 6 tbsp chocolate chips or chopped chocolate
- 2 packs liquorice Catherine wheels
- 12 tbsp Nutella or other chocolate spread
- Liquorice allsorts (the black ones with the white centre)
- 1 tube black writing icing
- 1 length red bootlace

