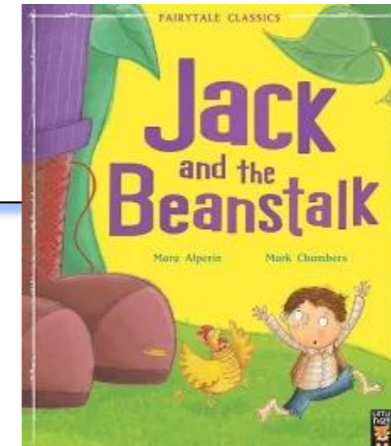


Our book focus this week is:  
Jack and the Beanstalk

# This week in Reception Class...

13<sup>th</sup> April 2026



This week in maths we have been learning to say, count and recognise numbers 11-20. We have been using 10 frames, multilink and numicon to represent these numbers in different ways.

We also worked to solve missing number problems.

The children have also enjoyed watching Numberblocks to help secure their understanding.

As part of our story focus this week, we have been thinking about how we can plant a bean seed and the tools we might need. As a class, we made a list and used this to help us when we carried out the activity.

The children have also been learning about how we can care for a seed and what we might see over the next few weeks.

In RE we talked about special places we might have at home, school or perhaps somewhere we often visit. We then drew a picture of our special place.

This week we shared a story about Cassie the Caterpillar during Well being Wednesday. Cassie was afraid of change but with the help of her friends discovered that whilst change can be scary it can also be exciting. We talked about times when we have been worried about something new but it has turned out to be great fun — like starting school.

'Change can be beautiful.'

We have been following instructions to plant our own bean. The children have enjoyed completing this and are looking forward to seeing it grow. The children have also been thinking about how to carefully care for their seed.

We have been writing a backpack list for Jack in the writing area during COOL Time. The children have also been designing their own magic bean for Jack to sell in his shop. We have had some super ideas! The children have had to think about the bean's magic power and whether to sell it for 11p, 12p or 13p.

The children have been using tweezers to count beans into a pot, whilst developing their pincer grip. They have been challenging themselves with a 1-minute timer.

This week in PE we began our athletics topic and look at different ways of jumping. We identified how certain animals jump and tried to copy them.

The children have enjoyed making castles fit for a giant in the indoor and outdoor construction areas. They have been using their knowledge of 3D shapes to help support this. They have also enjoyed retelling the story with our new small world figures.

C of EL This week we have observed the class...

Making predictions and testing their ideas.