



This term's topic is Spring Into Action...and my favourite time of year! The weather is getting warmer (if it hasn't yet, it will soon!) and all the birds, plants and animals are starting to wake up ready for the summer. We are going to be exploring some of the festivities that take place at this time of year such as Easter and also having a look at some of the creatures that make an appearance.

Each week there is a quick build starter where we cover some key learning objectives about the topic. You can either use the **Fabretta** videos on the whiteboard or organise this yourself using this scheme of work as a starting point.

The main thing is that the quick builds are done as described on the correct week as this forms the basis of the inter school competition where your school can earn points for the national leaderboard. Upload your quick build via the MyClub page.

The Quick Builds

The first half of the club is usually taken up with the quick build. The Fabretta videos can be used directly from Youtube each week or downloaded from dropbox if that is easier. Fabretta will cover the basic learning objectives each week along with the rules for the club and a timed quick build for the children to work along with.

Usually the teacher will choose the best from each table and get the children to show their creations at the front, the rest of the children can then vote on who they want to win. You should then take a photo (screenshot) of this with your phone and send it to us each week. Parents and children can then vote for



Week 1- Vegetables

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I know many of you don't eat your vegetables and would rather stick to chicken dippers and chips... but read on! Vegetables are an important part of healthy eating and provide a source of many nutrients, including potassium, fibre and vitamins A, E and C. Options like broccoli, spinach, tomatoes and garlic provide additional benefits, making them a superfood!

Did you know... Around the world gardeners like to compete to see who can grow the biggest vegetables! Did you know the biggest carrot ever grown was more than 20ft long!

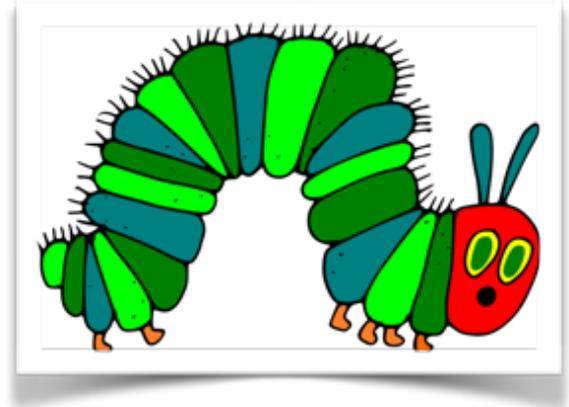
This week's quick build is a Giant Vegetable! Before we start you have 1 minute preparation time to get your worlds ready....!



Week 2 - Caterpillars

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A **caterpillar** is a young butterfly or moth that has just hatched out of its egg. A caterpillar is a kind of larva. When it is older, the caterpillar will turn into a pupa (also known as a chrysalis), and then later the pupa will turn into a butterfly. Caterpillars are commonly found feeding on leaves, but they are also found inside living stems and branches or on the roots of plants and dead wood.



Did you know.. CATERPILLARS HAVE 12 EYES! On each side of its head, a caterpillar has 6 tiny eyelets, called *stemmata*, arranged in a semi-circle. Surprisingly, they have terrible eye sight!

Quick Build - A caterpillar



Week 3 - Butterflies

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After the caterpillar from last week has eaten enough..and I mean A LOT!...It turns in to a chrysalis and then a beautiful butterfly. Butterflies around the world are in danger and some species have already become extinct due to the destruction of their habitat (home environment) and loss of food plants. Another reason is that butterflies are caught and killed for collections and to be sold in displays.



Did you know - Some of the fastest butterflies have been recorded flying at over 30mph and as high as 1000 feet in the air!

Quick Build - A butterfly



Week 4 - Easter Eggs

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Easter eggs, also called Paschal eggs, are decorated eggs that are usually used as gifts on the occasion of Easter or springtime celebration. The oldest tradition is to use dyed and painted chicken eggs, but a modern custom is to substitute chocolate eggs wrapped in colourful foil, or plastic eggs filled with confectionery such as chocolate.

Did you know - The practice of decorating eggshells as part of spring rituals is ancient,^[1] with decorated, engraved [ostrich](#) eggs found in Africa which are 60,000 years old!

Quick Build - An Easter Egg or Eggs



Week 5 - The Easter Bunny

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One step up from the Tooth Fairy perhaps, yet always in the shadow of Santa Claus. To be fair, Santa Claus has eaten so many cookies at this stage that he casts a fairly big shadow. But this weekend is the Easter Bunny's time to shine, bringing chocolate eggs to all of us who deserve them.

Did you know - The Easter Hare started out as a judge, deciding whether children were naughty or nice (A bit like Santa!) . If they were good, the hare would bring them eggs.

Quick build - The Easter Bunny



Week 6 - Migrating Birds

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Some birds fly literally thousands of miles to be with us each spring! This amazingly long annual journey is known as migration and usually happens for a very good reason... usually romance! ha. Some well known species live out at sea at certain times of year and then migrate inland for the spring. Among the many species of migrating birds that pay us a visit are cuckoos, swifts, nightjars, turtle doves and quite a few ducks!



Did you know.. Here's an interesting fact about bird's stunning athleticism!...A female shorebird was recently found to have flown 7,145 miles (11,500 kilometers) **NONSTOP** from Alaska to New Zealand—**without** taking a break for food or drink. It's the longest nonstop **bird** migration ever measured, according to biologists who tracked the **flight** using satellite tags.

Quick build - A pair of turtle doves or a Cuckoo

