

# Year 1



Hi Year 1!

It was so lovely to speak to most of you on the phone last week! We have missed you all so much and it made us very happy to hear all the amazing things you have been doing at home. We are proud of you and everything you're doing! We are all very excited to start seeing your work on Google Classroom, we will even be able to send you messages about work you have completed. We can't wait to celebrate all your great work with you again soon! We have all been very busy working together, doing lots of work for school and your home learning. We hope you are being kind and mindful to everyone at home. Speak to you soon - Stay safe! 😊

From Miss Henderson, Miss Bantock and Miss Morris.

## Google Classroom

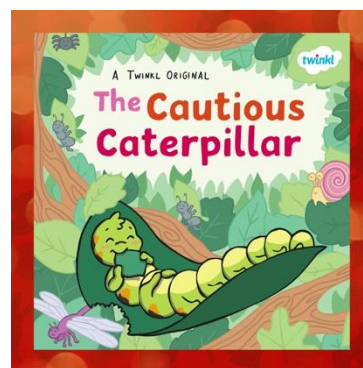
Remember you can upload between 1 and 3 pieces of work each week for your teacher to look at and they will write a comment back.



**Q: Why are teddy bears never hungry?**

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**A: They are always stuffed!**



Miss Morris has been busy creating an audio book for you all to enjoy! The story is called 'The Cautious Caterpillar'. The story is filled with lots of incredible insect characters. We are all excited to hear what you think of the book. We hope you enjoy it!

We know some children in Willow Class have been enjoying the 'Reading Eggs' website. A free trial is available now on their website. Reading Eggs has lots of brilliant resources, online reading games and activities. So you might find it useful:

<https://readingeggs.co.uk>



We have also been very proud to hear some fantastic readers in Beech Class are reading Harry Potter, Matilda and even some Roald Dahl books. Well done! 😊

## DID YOU KNOW?



### Fascinating Facts!

1. Hippopotamus milk is pink.
2. Slugs have four noses.
3. Kangaroos can't walk backwards.
4. Horses and cows sleep standing up.
5. A baby penguin is called a chick.

### Useful Home Learning Tips:

- Take regular breaks
- Try carrying out a brain break at home
- Make sure you're drinking water and eating healthy
- Take exercise breaks - it's important to keep your body moving

### Ideas to try if your child is reluctant to work:

- Start an open conversation with them, ask "what are you finding tricky?" "How can I help you?" and move forward from there.
- Where possible make activities exciting and practical.
- Remember that most 5-6 year olds are only going to be able to concentrate for a maximum of 20 minutes so keep tasks short to enable them to stay focused.
- Try a behaviour system at home to reward good work/behaviour, like marbles in a jar or stickers.
- Remember you're doing a fantastic job and it is important to not put too much pressure on yourself when trying to teach your child[ren] at home.

