



Little Steps Toddler Group

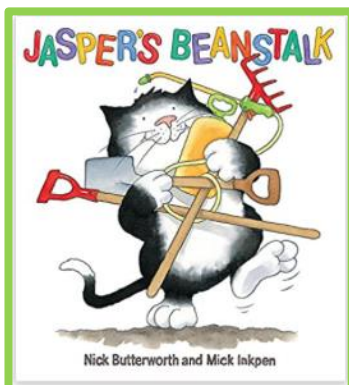
SING OUR SPECIAL BEAN SONG [HERE](#)



STORYTIME: Picking runner beans

"Do you remember when we all went into the greenhouse to plant seeds?" asked Big Teddy one morning. "It was a long time ago."
"I wrote beautiful labels," said Kitten smugly, and they said 'peeZ'.
"You did lovely writing," said Lamb, admiringly.
"I know," replied Kitten. "I was extremely brilliant."

"But where are the peas now?" asked Rabbit.
"I haven't seen any at all," quacked Duckling.
"Unfortunately the cabbage-white butterflies laid eggs in our pea plants, and their caterpillars ate them," explained Big Teddy. "But we do have runner beans."
"I didn't know beans can do running," protested Little Teddy, surprised. "Are they very fast?"
"They grow fast," said Big Teddy. "Come and see."
All the toys helped to put up the ladder and looked at the beans. "They are a long way up," worried Rabbit.
"Who is going to climb up there?" asked Kitten.
"I'm wobbly, I might fall!" babbled Duckling.
Big Teddy held the ladder carefully, and cuddled Duckling; Lamb and Rabbit sang helpful bean-picking songs; Kitten and Little Teddy were the bean-spotters, and brave Puppy climbed up the ladder and carefully picked a long, green bean. Puppy was so pleased with his success that he fell off the ladder with his bean, but the earth was damp and soft. Once the trug was full of beans, it was time to head for the kitchen.
"We can carry the trug," said Little Teddy and Kitten.
"We can wash the beans," offered Rabbit and Lamb.
"I can pat them dry," suggested Duckling.
"Afterwards it will be time to have our snacks and play Sleeping Bunnies," announced Puppy, looking rather muddy, but brimming with success, "and later we can have tasty beans for our tea – hurray!"



BOOK TIME:

Jasper's Beanstalk by Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen (pub. Hodder Children's Books).
Book available [HERE](#),
read on-line [HERE](#).

LITTLE STEPS WILL MEET OUTSIDE UNTIL AFTER HALF TERM

BIBLE TIME: Jesus and the big picnic [HERE](#)



Christians believe that Jesus fed people who were hungry and taught them about God's love.

CRAFT TIME: Making coloured beans [HERE](#)



You can dye a variety of dried beans for play or art activities, provided that your toddler is beyond putting them in her mouth.

GENTLE PARENT MOMENT: [HERE](#)



'Baba Yetu' (Our Father – essentially the Lord's Prayer in Swahili) by Stellenbosch University Choir.



Sign up for the Playscape newsletter [HERE](#) and see the playground plans.

At this time of harvest in the UK, we thank God for all that he has provided, and pray that we would be generous in supporting others.



Don't forget that our wonderful Tiny Toes Baby group meets on Wednesday afternoons at the Free Church. Details are [HERE](#).



Good news! Our coffee shop called Cara continues to welcome you on Monday mornings for free (10-12) *right through September*. What's not to love?

Our Minister is MARTIN COCKERILL 07941 269185

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