

Curriculum Information



Summer 2 EYFS



Our topic this half term is Mad about Minibeasts.

Within this theme we will expand our children's understanding of the world beneath our feet and above our heads. Introducing them to wondrous creepy crawlies and how to distinguish between them. Children will gain first-hand experience of these critters as they explore our outside environment looking at habitats and identifiable differences. It's a fun and informative half term, with wonders of nature and the things we share this world with.

As writers, we will revisit the world of Talk 4 Writing with our hook text of Jack and the Beanstalk. This will embed the skills the children have learnt throughout their Reception year, allowing the children to showcase their writing skills by creating their own adaptive stories. Children will be encouraged to use their imaginations when embarking on a poetry journey through the text Mad about Minibeasts.

As readers, we will be supplementing our main texts with many high-quality supportive texts such as Super Worm, and Yucky Worms to name a few. It is a fantastic opportunity for non-fiction texts to be used throughout the term to allow for deeper comprehension of their learning.

In Maths, we will consolidate our maths learning by focusing on measure and number patterns within 20. Rich opportunities will be given to ensure that money, time and calendar work is a focus in maths meetings.

In Science, we will look at the life cycle of beans and plants, using observations skills and discussing what we notice throughout these experiments. Children will be exposed to real life bugs inside and outside of the classroom. This will help them to identify habitats and features of bugs.

In Computing, our coding and computational learning will involve using shapes to create designs that we will then change and adapt in order to improve them. We will also be sorting items and using them to create pictograms. As part of our online safety learning, we will be finding out how the internet can be used to find answers to questions and devices we can use to do this on.

In Design and Technology, we will be creating structures by following visual instructions to make a mini beast.

In Art, we will be creating a snail in the style of the artist Matisse

In History, we will make observations about how they have grown since birth and in the year at school. We will use photos and their learning journeys to see progression and stimulate conversations.

In Music, our new theme will be titled 'It's oh so Quiet'. We will develop our skills of composing music based on characters and stories developed through listening to Beethoven's 5th symphony. We will continue to work on playing different instruments with control and will explore dynamics with voices and instruments.

In PSHE, we will focus on how right and wrong is shown in the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and whether Jack really is the hero if the story. We will focus on supporting the children in their transition to Year 1.

In PE, we will learn to compete in races, learning about the importance of sportsmanship in sports. This will prepare the children for Sports Day. We will also have our last sessions of Reception Forest School.

In RE, we will reflect on the differences between faiths we have learnt about within our reception year.