

## **The Nest Home Learning**

### **Summer Term 1 Week 4**

#### **Week Beginning Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 20**

Hello Nestlings! Well, we are already well into the month of May which is one of my favourite months of the year. We usually enjoy some good weather so let's keep our fingers crossed! If we look outside we can see lots of new buds on plants and flowers.

Here are some things you can do for your Nurture Home Learning this week, and we hope you enjoy them. There will be no new story to go with our learning this week, but I have bought some new mini-beast books and once they have arrived we will be sharing these with you. However, you can listen to Mrs Llewellyn read a story about a mini-beast called 'What the Ladybird Heard', by Julia Donaldson, which is in the Key Stage 1 Storytime section. Keep sending your photos in to the school website or sharing them on our school Facebook page.

#### **Topic – Mini-beasts: Water Boatman**



Here is a picture of a Water Boatman.

Science.

- Please watch this clip, about a mini-beast that lives in the water, on the website link; <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/mini-beast-adventure-with-jess-water-boatman-adventure>

A water boatman is an insect that lives in ponds and lakes in all parts of the world. They eat dead plants and have long back legs which they use to swim when on top of the water.

They can be 5 -15 millimetres long. Can you find out how long this is?

(Hint – have a ruler or ask an adult to help you?)

Why do you think they are called water boatman?

(Hint – think about the way they move.)

If you can, ask an adult to help you look in a nearby pond or lake, and see if you can find one too.

### Art and Creativity.

- Can you create a water boatman picture? Have a look at the one above and try to be as accurate as you can using the correct colours and shapes. If you have your own paints, try finger painting and use your finger for the body and your nail for the legs.
- Use lollipop sticks to stick on the pictures of your mini-beasts, and the others you might have made from our previous learning, and have a play with them all!

### PE. Science.

- Move like a water boatman! Maybe, when you are having your bath? Think about how they move themselves around, but don't splash too much!

### Cooking.

- Have a go at making some chocolate strawberry ladybirds!



#### *Ingredients:*

- A punnet of fresh strawberries for the body
- 1 small bag of chocolate chips for the spots and eyes
- White icing, or mini marshmallows for the eyes
- Large bar of chocolate for melting.
- Mint leaves to garnish as leaves.

#### *Method:*

Rise the strawberries in cold water to clean them, and pat dry with a paper towel. Cut off the stalks and end. Next, dip the smaller end in a little melted chocolate for the ladybird's face. Put in the fridge for a little while to cool the chocolate. When cool, gently pop on a few chocolate chips for the ladybird's spots. Carefully place two small blobs of white icing or mini-marshmallows, for the eyes and pop another chocolate chip on top. If you used icing, leave them for a few minutes to let set. Then ....enjoy your ladybird snack!

We hope you continue to enjoy your activities, and we look forward to sending you some more next week!

Best Wishes to you all from Mrs Porter, Mrs Davis and Mrs McCarthy.