

Understanding the World

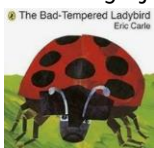
We will go on minibeast hunts in the garden and create our own bug hotels. We will look closely at minibeasts and draw their features. We will explore minibeast habitats. We will have fun creating our very own Ice Cream Parlour role play area too!



We will explore life cycles of frogs and watch as tadpoles turn into frogs. We will learn about the season of Summer and talk about the changes we can see in the natural world around us. In R.E. we will talk about places that are special to us and explore special places in different faiths.

Communication & Language and Literacy

We will re-tell the story of 'Anansi and The Spider' and describe the story characters. We will make a rhyming booklet based on the story 'Oi Frog!' We will also write about the story of 'The Bad-Tempered Ladybird'.



We will use 'Fred Fingers, Pinch the Sounds' to write new words with the sounds we know. We will write phrases and sentences using picture prompts. We will continue to work on handwriting using the letter formation rhymes.

Mathematical Development

We will explore the composition of numbers to 10 and say different ways of making each number. We will also learn about odd and even numbers. We will continue to work on remembering number pairs to 5 (eg 4+1, 3+2, 5+0) and 10 (eg 5+5, 7+3, 9+1). We will show doubles on our fingers and also count accurately. We will have fun with investigating capacity with water, comparing weights and exploring 2D shape patterns.

Please bring a named refillable **water bottle**, **sun hat**, **raincoat** (depending on weather) and **bookbag** to school every day. Please apply an **'all-day' sun cream** to your child before school.

Please bring in a **PE kit** that will be kept in school. We will have PE every **Thursday** with Mr Croucher, our Sports Coach. We will also have some more football sessions with Mr Phillips on some **Mondays**. Please name all jumpers, cardigans, sunhats, raincoats and PE kits.

Dates this half term –

Thurs 5th June Class photos

Wed 18th June Reception Sports Day 9:30am

Wed 2nd July Transfer Day to become a Year 1
Reception summer trip to be confirmed

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Our topic this half term is
Marvellous Minibeasts!



Look out for photos on Seesaw to see our learning!

Physical Development

We will develop small motor skills with funky finger activities and hold a pencil effectively. We will roll and coil clay, tear paper and cut along curved lines carefully. We will develop our balancing skills on the scooters and balance bikes. We will climb, jump and slide to navigate obstacle courses and develop overarm and underarm throwing skills. In football sessions we will develop skills to control and kick the ball.

Phonics and Reading

In our phonic groups we will continue to learn 'Special Friends' set 1 and set 2 sounds. We will read green words with 'Fred Talk – read the word'. We will also read tricky red words.

Reading at home

The children will continue to bring home ditty sheets or reading books to read at home. Please hear your children read regularly as this really makes a difference to their reading skills and confidence. Please write in your child's yellow reading record when they read at home. They will also bring home a fiction or non-fiction 'sharing book' each week for you to enjoy together.



Expressive Arts and Design

We will learn how to make coils with clay to create 3D snails. When we explore colour, pattern and shape we will create our own snail collages inspired by 'The Snail' by Henri Matisse.



We will create moving spiders and draw the minibeasts we see. We will sing songs about minibeasts and play instruments to the music. We will use all the skills we have developed this year to select our own materials and describe our creations to each other.

Social and Emotional Development

Our Jigsaw theme is called 'Changing Me'. We will explore and celebrate how we have changed during Reception and look forward to transferring to become Year 1s. We will support the children to be resilient to try new activities on Sports Day and take part in team games. We will talk about being healthy and making healthy choices. We will have a focus on teeth, how to look after our teeth and about visits to the dentist.