

Reception Curriculum Letter

Term 4 Topic -Minibeasts



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4. We are excited to spring into this new term which is based on Minibeasts. We are hoping for some early Spring sunshine as we get out and about to hunt for some creepy crawlies!

Just like last term we will be basing each week around a discovery question such as 'What is a minibeast?', 'What is a life cycle?'.

Communication, Language and Literacy

This term, we are starting our Talk for Writing project which is based on the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle. The children will learn to retell the story using actions and focus on using story language. We will sequence pictures from the story and build up to writing the beginning, middle and end drawing on language from the book. During the term we will be sharing various stories about Minibeasts, if your child has one they would like to bring in then please do, but please make sure it is NAMED. We will also be looking at Non-Fiction books and we will be introduced to some new vocabulary as we learn about life cycles. Towards the end of the term we will listen to the Easter story.

Maths

This term we will consolidate our counting skills. We are going to count to larger numbers and develop a wider range of counting strategies. We will secure our knowledge of number facts. We are going to explore the meaning of 1 more and 1 less up to 10. We will begin to look at the 10s frame and explore ways of making doubles. We are going to be comparing quantities and numbers and we will continue to subitise and begin to identify when counting is necessary. Once again we will be encouraged to use sentence stems when explaining our answers.

PE

Our PE lessons this term will continue to be on a Tuesday

Please make sure your child has their kit in school and all clothing is clearly labelled (even shoes).

PPA (Planning, Preparation and Assessment)

Mrs Brooks will continue to have PPA time every Tuesday afternoon and Miss Heathcote will be out of class every Wednesday afternoon for PPA. Wren Class will be covered by Mr Delaney.

Home learning

Please continue with all the fantastic hard work with reading and phonemes practice. It is important to keep going over the letter sounds and keywords. Your child will enjoy putting the letter cards together to build the words set out in our end of unit home learning tasks. This will really help them develop their blending and segmenting skills.

Please ensure your child brings their reading book to school every day.

Mrs Brooks, Mrs Hughes, Miss Heathcote and Mr Delaney