



Nursery Class Home Learning – Week 7 – 18th May 2020

Please share any activities you do on Tapestry! We would love to see what you get up to!
Our Topic for this term is – **‘What Lives Outside?’** Week 7, we are focusing on **mini beasts that live in the garden!**
There are supporting resources on the Robin Class webpage.



Daily Literacy

Reading

Read a story about different animals from the jungle; **Superworm**, **Mad about Minbeasts**, **The Very Busy Spider** are good books to read!

Using the **‘Mini Beast Stick Puppet’** PDF on the class web page or you can make your own, can you make up your own story about a mini beast. Were they scary, kind, did they get lost; did they go on an adventure?

Continue using the Plymouth Schools Library Service.

<https://plymouthlss.wheelers.co/>

Alliteration and Rhyme

Can you think of different ways to describe mini beasts in the garden. Think of ways to describe them using the Same Sound e.g. Wiggly Worm, Curly Caterpillar, and Beautiful Butterfly. Can you think of any others?

Writing

Practise writing your whole name and names of people in your family.

Draw your own Super Mini Beast with lots of different colours, shapes, patterns, legs, wings, antenna and eyes!

Choose One Per Day - Communication & Language

Life cycles of mini beasts – discuss together how mini beasts can change and look different over time. Pick a mini beast and discuss how they look and change at different stages. Perhaps you could draw this life cycle together and introduce new and interesting vocabulary.

The children were lucky to see frogspawn in our conservation area and see them turn into tadpoles. Can you remember what they turn into next?

Choose One Per Day - Understanding the world

Complete the ‘Minibeast Hotel’ game on Mini Mash:

<https://www.purplemash.com/gl/minimash/55784089322ac>

Try to make your own Bug Hotel in the garden or at the park. Remember they need places to hide, they need dark places, and they need places to climb.

Wednesday 20th May is International Bee Day! – create a fun themed window display for everyone to enjoy when they are out for walks near your house.

Choose One Per Day - Physical development

Moving and Handling

Try some ‘Very Hungry Caterpillar’ yoga!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xhWDiQRrC1Y>

Practise writing wavy lines like wiggly worms.

Using string and glue, can you stick the string into the shape of a spider web?

Can you: slide like a snail, flutter like a butterfly, wriggle like a caterpillar, march like an ant, zoom like a fly and crawl like a beetle?

Set up two parallel ropes on the floor about one metre apart. Ask your child to walk heel to toes between the two ropes without stepping on the ropes. Gradually bring the ropes closer together to make it harder. Ask them to repeat the activity trying to keep a beanbag on their heads. Repeat the activities walking along tile lines, wooden floor/laminate lines or a chalked line or length of tape. Get them to try different ways of moving along the line and staying on it, e.g., lifting their knees higher, walking backwards, taking big strides.

Health and Self-care

Do you know where honey comes from? Can you cook or make something with honey?

Do you know where your food comes from? Look at labels on your food packages. Look on a map and find the country. How far has it travelled?

Daily Maths

Numbers

Practise counting up to 10 and back from 10 **daily**. Can you count up and down the stairs; can you count your steps into different rooms in your house?

Using objects from your home, can you make your own ten frame? Can you use this to count different objects or toys from your house? If you have three bananas, can you put them into different boxes of the ten frame and check you still have three?

Make your own ladybirds with matching spots on each wing. Count how many legs or wings different mini beasts have and draw this many. How many legs does a spider have? Can you draw this many legs on a spider?

Shapes, space and measure

Look at the pattern on a bumblebee, can you copy this pattern?

Can you make your own using different colours?

Using string or playdough can you make wiggly worms of different sizes and place them smallest to biggest?

Choose One Per Day - Personal, social & emotional development

Discuss the word ‘mini beast’ and explain that creatures are much smaller than pictures they might have seen. Introduce the word ‘fragile’, using the dragonfly’s wings as an example, and discuss the need to be quiet and gentle when observing such tiny creatures. Emphasise that the creatures should not be removed from their habitats.

Go on a mini beast hunt together and praise your child for being careful and gentle with what they find.

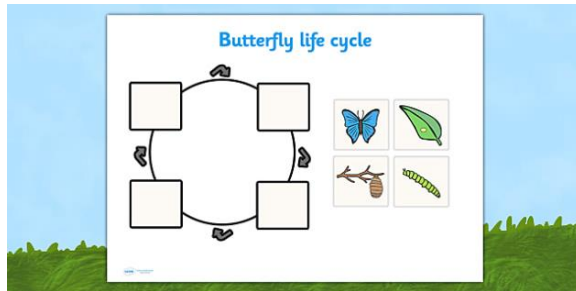
Choose One Per Day - Expressive arts & design

Make your own butterfly pictures. Paint on one side of your butterfly, fold the picture over and press down. Now it is the same on both sides!

Using materials from your home, make your own magnifying glass (this does not need to include glass, it is more for imaginative purposes) to look for mini beasts in your garden!

Listen to this music - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aYAJopwEYv8> – encourage your child to listen first and talk about if they like it, if they do not and why. Ask them if they can dance to this music or how it makes them feel.

Life Cycle ideas:



Bug Hotel ideas:



Honey with food ideas:



Spider web ideas:



Food location ideas:



Ladybird matching:



Ten Frame ideas:



Butterfly printing ideas:



No Printer? No Problem! Twinkl have made their resources interactive when you use the app on a tablet or phone.



It's now possible to annotate resources on our Twinkl app! If you don't have access to a printer, or if you wish to save on printing then this is the perfect solution. You can download the Twinkl app here <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/l/1d0va5>

It's really easy to annotate our PDF resources if using the Twinkl app on an iPad or iPhone. Here's a step-by-step guide on how to do it...

Step 1 - Once you've found a resource you'd like to annotate in the Twinkl app, download the resource on to your iPad or iPhone.

Step 2 - Once downloaded, a green tick will appear. Click on the icon to open the resource.

Step 3 - Use the Markup feature in the top right-hand corner to display the annotation tools. Use whichever colour or style you choose - you can also erase if you make a mistake.

Step 4 - To save the resource with its annotations, click on the Action icon in the top right. You can then save or share as needed. Perfect for sending completed work back to teachers or parents who want to check work.



If you want to join in with our Robin Class Assembly, there is a Powerpoint presentation on the Nursery class webpage.

Assembly



Don't forget to practise your days of the week and months of the year! There is a Powerpoint Game available on the Nursery Class webpage.



If you login to Purple Mash, you might see my name on the top right. If you click the purple pin it shows activities linked to our weekly Home Learning. Remember to save anything you complete to your own tray.

