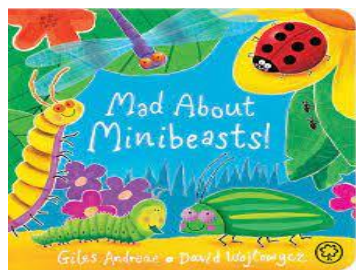


# Mad About Minibeasts

**Year: Reception**

**Summer Term 2021**



## Key Areas of Learning

As **communicators**, we will enjoy listening to the ideas of our peers and begin to incorporate other people's ideas in our play. We will be learning to follow longer instructions where we have to do two or more things. We will be able to answer why and how questions and base our answers upon things that we have seen or heard.

As **scientists**, we will be encouraged to talk about how things such as plants, insects and animals look the same and how they look different. We will talk about how insects grow as they go through the life cycle. We will learn some minibeast life cycles.

As **sociable humans**, we will take turns and share fairly, without adults reminding us when we play games with our friends. We will enjoy trying out new things and when I have an idea, I will gather the resources and carry out my ideas more independently.

### English

#### Reading

We will enjoy reading a range of minibeast-inspired books such as 'The Snail and the Whale', 'The Bad Tempered Ladybird', 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Mad about Minibeasts' as well as many homemade and non-fiction books about minibeasts.

#### Writing

We will use our phonic knowledge to write captions, sentences and books about minibeasts. We will be encouraged to write more independently and use our phonic knowledge.

### Mathematics

#### Shape, Space and Measures

We will explore different ways to represent information - Tally chart, Pictogram, Bar chart. We will be encouraged to make patterns and talk about them, including symmetry. We will look for patterns in the environment and on minibeasts.

#### Number

We will begin to apply our number knowledge to solve problems that are important to us: sharing out toys with my friends so that we have the same number each or recording an addition/subtraction number sentence. We will learn to double and begin to know the inverse is halving.

### Physical Development

#### Health and Self Care

We will talk about ways in which we can keep healthy like doing exercise, eating fruit and vegetables and drinking water or milk. We will wash our hands properly every time.

#### Dance

We will learn to move to the beat. We will explore different ways of moving like minibeasts and put this to music.

We will learn a Minibeast dance ('Flight of the Bumble Bee' music)

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be encouraged to show our ideas by drawing or painting pictures, making models using boxes, singing songs and dancing to music

We will make some minibeast crafts using collage and observational drawings

We will sing songs about minibeasts

We will help to set up a garden centre/role-play area and will use this to imagine and make believe as well as practise our writing and maths skills

### Experiences

Adults dressed up to act out characters around themes, giving problems for the children to solve, for example around mini beasts.

### Whole School Events / Themes

Sports Day

**SPRING GROVE**

**PRIMARY SCHOOL**

