



Monkton CEP School

Bee Class Newsletter

Term 6

Our topic this term is, 'Why do Ladybirds have spots?'



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- We be discussing our favourite things about being in Bee Class and what has made us happy and proud this year
- We will also be making sure that we make the transition into Year 1 is as smooth as possible for the children with lots of discussions as a class and activities

Physical Development

Our PE sessions will be all about 'The Olympics'. We will have a try at different games and use a variety of skills such as throwing, running and jumping while doing so. This will help us in preparation for 'Sports Day'. 😊
We will continue to use the school bikes.

Communication and Language

- We will be learning lots of vocabulary related to minibeasts
- We will be giving the children lots of opportunities to discuss and 'show off' their work this term to their friends

Mathematics

We will continue to revise skills taught throughout the year and extend where necessary. The children will look at shape, subtraction, more and less, number bonds and other topics. We will be recording more in our books in preparation for Year 1.

Literacy

This term we will be looking at lots of fiction stories relating to our topic. We will also look at lot of non-fiction books to help us find out more about the minibeasts. We will also discuss the differences and similarities between the two.

We will continue to practice our sentences writing and will be encouraging the children to write more in preparation for Year 1.

Our daily phonics lessons will continue.

RE

In RE we will look at stories which are special to other world faiths. We will be discussing stories from the Jewish, Muslim and other faiths. We will also discuss the importance of respecting other people's beliefs.

Other Specific Areas

- **Understanding the World** - We will be exploring our environment and the minibeasts within in it. We will explore butterflies, snails, spiders etc and discuss how they are vital to our world.
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- **Expressive Arts and Design** - We will use a variety of resources to create our own minibeasts. We will begin this week with finger puppets. The children will continue to make their fantastic creations in the creative corner as well.
- **ICT** - Children will continue to use the computers and Ipads. Children will focus on filming each other and playing in back as well as finding and using simple programmes independently.

Vocabulary

Literacy -fiction, non-fiction, full stop, capital letter, finger space, author, illustrator.

Maths -number, amount, subtraction, more, less, shape, corner, edge, side, double

Topic - minibeast, environment, habitat, carnivore, herbivore, omnivore, insect,

Websites

- Games to aid Letters and Sounds, using the pure sound:
<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-3.html>
- A variety of mathematic games:
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>
- A variety of minibeast activities:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games/mini-beast-adventure-with-jess-minibeast-spotter>

Notices

- Please read with your children every day, it really does help them become fluent readers and assist their ability to decode new and unfamiliar words, as well as develop their instant recall of high frequency/tricky words.

Thank you to the parent/carers who already do this on a regular basis.

Key dates

Monday 14th June - Class trip to Monkton Nature Reserve

Monday 21st- Friday 25th June- Science Week

'Sports Day' arrangements TBC

Monday 28th- Thursday 1st July - Book fair

Friday 16th July- Last day of term