



Monkton CEP School
Class 2 - Term 6 - Dragonfly Class
Newsletter



Our Creative Curriculum - Wriggle and Crawl

Grab your coat and pooter - we're going out and about on a minibeast hunt. Sweep your nets in ponds and lift up logs to see who's home. Then set up a minibeast laboratory and observe their every move. Add notes and labels and ask research questions, just like a real entomologist. Learn about bees and worms and butterflies too. Can you make a food chain to show who eats who? Carry out investigations to find out more, like how far a snail travels in a day and how a spider catches its prey. On your belly, legs at the ready, it's time to wriggle and crawl.

English

Linked to Wriggle and Crawl:

Lists and leaflets
Information books
Instructions
Reviews
Poetry

Core Texts:

Harry the Poisonous Centipede by
Lynne Reid Banks

Also: The very Hungry Caterpillar,
Mad about Minibeasts and The Bad-
Tempered Ladybird.

Mathematics

As part of our Recovery curriculum we will be spending this term looking at elements of maths we haven't taught yet, as well as revisiting, consolidating and embedding areas of maths that we have previously studied.

Term 4

Addition and Subtraction
Multiplication and Division
Geometry - 2D and 3D shapes
Measure - length, height and weight
Measure - position and direction

Science

Living Things and their Habitats

We will be looking at how and where creatures live, what they eat including food chains and how to look after a range of minibeast. We will also look at keeping ourselves safe when collecting minibeast and the importance of putting them back where we found them.

Computing

We Are Researchers - continued from last term due to Covid restrictions.

We are Story Tellers

We continue to work on this as well as revisiting programming and an introduction to using iPads for animations.

RE

Judaism - Who is Jewish and what do they believe?

PE

The children will be working with our sports coaches and Miss Jenks. They will be looking at Hockey / Cricket. The after-school club will be Football.

PE Day is a Thursday and after school clubs also take place on Thursday.

Foundation subjects- Scented Garden

A&D - observational drawings and model making

D&T - food origins, building using natural materials

Geography - Fieldwork

PSHE - Feeling positive and looking after others, transition activities.

Heartsmart scheme - No Way Through, Isn't True

Computing - Creating and debugging programs; Algorithms; Uses of ICT beyond school; Logical reasoning; Presentations

Science- Living Things and their Habitats

Music - Rocksteady - Feel Good Friday + playing tuned and untuned instruments

Vocabulary

Below are some words that the children will come across during their learning:

Maths

groups of

share

divide

subtraction

addition

partition

English

Recount

Information

Non-chronological

Narrative

Fiction

Non-fiction

Wriggle and crawl

Abdomen, antenna, camouflage, chrysalis, classification, colony, entomology, food chain, habitat, hive, honey, larva, life cycle, metamorphosis, microscope, mini-beasts, nectar, pollen, pooter, predator, prey, pupa, species, specimen, thorax.

Dates for the diary

9.6.21 - Class trip - Monkton Nature Reserve

21.6.21 - 25.6.21 - Science Week

'Sports Day' arrangements TBC

29.6.21 - 2.7.21 - Book Fair - more information to follow

1.7.21 - Transition Morning

16.7.21 - End of term - children finish from 1:30pm