

Literacy:

We will be exploring our core text The Very Hungry Caterpillar through story maps, puppets and role play. As well as writing simple sentences using descriptive language.

We will be moving on to Phase 4 phonics where we will be blending CVCC words, spelling tricky words - he, she, we, me, be, was, you.

Physical development:

- Moving like mini beasts (wiggling, flying, crawling) in games and dance.
- Using fine motor tools in nature-themed tuff trays and planting activities.
- Balancing, jumping, and climbing during outdoor exploration.
- Handling seeds, soil, and plants with care

Numeracy:

- Identify and continue number patterns beyond 20
- Identify and rotate 2D and 3D shapes.
- Compose and decompose shapes.

Knowledge of the world:

- Observing and identifying mini beasts and plants.
- Exploring microhabitats and learning where insects live.
- Identifying parts of a plant.
- Understanding what plants and animals need to survive.
- Learning about life cycles
- Planting seeds and observing them grow.

Mini beasts And Plants!

We will be focusing on the following **Learn Together** stands: An Ethical approach to the Environment

Communication and language:

- Asking questions and making observations about insects and plants.
- Using descriptive language to talk about mini beasts and their habitats.
- Retelling The Very Hungry Caterpillar using puppets and props.
- Participating in small group discussions and role play.

Expressive art and design:

- Creating symmetrical butterfly art.
- Making caterpillars, insects, and flowers using junk modelling.
- Exploring colour mixing for fruit and flower painting.
- Performing insect-inspired dances and songs.
- Making leaf rubbings and natural collages.

Personal, social and emotional development:

- Showing care and responsibility for plants and animals.
- Talking about how we feel and how to care for others.
- Building teamwork and cooperation through group games
- Developing confidence through sharing ideas and performing stories.