

This week in Reception

May 17th - 21st 2021

This week we have learned about minibeast life cycles.



Literacy

We have been very busy practising all of the tricky words from Phases 2, 3 and 4. Many of the children now know all or most of them, and could practise writing them. We have already learned to write all Phase 2 words and many of the simpler Phase 3 words. If your child finds this easy, they could try writing some of the phase 4 words too!

We have been reading information books in our guided groups this week, learning about contents, headings, labels, bullet points, diagrams etc.



Mathematics

This week our maths work has included revising one more/one less, practising simple addition and subtraction, extending to numbers beyond 10, and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s using the context of money.



Other Areas of Learning

'Life Cycles' has been an interesting focus this week!

The children are already very familiar with the life cycle of a butterfly, and have loved watching our caterpillars grow and pupate!! It got even more exciting when butterflies started emerging from their cocoons!! We shall set them free when all of them have hatched.

We have learned about two life cycles in particular – the ladybird and the dragonfly. The children have learned a lot of new vocabulary, such as larva, pupa, pupate, nymph, emerge etc. and are starting to use these words in context.

They have also put pictures of the ladybird life cycle in order. Most children have made a paper ladybird, using red and black paper, scissors and glue.

We have also learned about bees and beekeeping from a visiting beekeeper!!
Very interesting!