



Year R – Summer 1 Curriculum Leaflet  
Learning Project: Why Do Ladybirds Have Spots  
Subject Focus: Understanding the World



### Memorable Experiences:

- Trip to Brandon Marsh
- Beekeeper visit

### Communication and Language

- Developing listening skills
- Learning the names of different 'minibeast' creatures
- Learning new vocabulary to talk about life cycles, habitats etc.
- Answering how and why questions

### Physical Development

- P.E. with Callum Burgess
- Athletics, preparing for Sports Day
- Handling a variety of tools safely and with control
- Making 'funky finger webs'

### Literacy

- Beginning 'Letters and Sounds' Phase 4, reading and writing words with adjacent consonants
- Consolidating all Phase 3 sounds
- Learning to read Phase 4 'tricky words'
- Learning to write Phase 3 'tricky words'
- Listening to a variety of stories on a 'minibeast' theme

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### Mathematics

- Continue working with numbers to 20 and beyond
- Consolidating calculation skills in addition and subtraction
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Revising o'clock time and learning half past (and quarters)
- Developing a mathematical vocabulary to talk about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes

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### Understanding the World

- Learning about different 'minibeast' creatures
- Looking closely at similarities and differences between different insects
- Learning about different animal habitats and life cycles

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Taking responsibility, carrying out small tasks
- Understanding how we can take care of our environment, and the creatures that live there
- Develop an understanding of people's (and animals) feelings and how our actions can affect others
- Developing a language for resolving conflicts and solving problems with other children

### Expressive Arts and Design

- Making clay minibeasts
- Design a minibeast garden (homework)
- Using instruments to represent insects/sounds
- Using paint, collage, drawing to make representations of animals