



Home Learning

Good Morning Hummingbirds. I hope you all had a wonderful bank holiday weekend. Our caterpillars have been very busy over the weekend making their chrysalises, well 4 of them! Stripes is still growing and therefore he is still eating, we are slowly running out of food so it is suggested we release him into the wild onto some nettles. If we decide to do this we will let you know and show you him in his new habitat. Did you know that butterflies make chrysalises and moths make cocoons? This was a fact that I learnt over the weekend.

Here are some videos I have taken over the weekend to show you how they have changed:

- 1- Getting ready to turn into a chrysalis - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6gSTpXTVqVw>
- 2- Timelapse of turning into a chrysalis - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l-9QJqEBGKk>
- 3- Moving into the butterfly net - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wPXz4bpvzNA>

Mrs Wolfreys

Today is: Monday 11th May

Today's tasks are (please see the timetable sent out previously for a recommended structure of the day however this is not a structure you need to follow for nursery but just guidance):

Pencil Control/Fine Motor Skills: Today's story is all about a slug who wants a shell like a snail. Can you make a slug and snail using your playdough? Can you roll it out like a long sausage? Maybe you can give the shell some patterns.

Maths/Literacy: Today I want you to recap the numbers we have learnt. Play this game <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers> Grown-ups you can choose which numbers they go up to depending on how well they have been doing with their counting.

Phonics: It's time for another sound story today all about the sound 'e'. Can you hear any words that start with the sound 'e', can you spot the sound? Can you think of any other words that start with 'e'?

Ella the elephant had an itch on her elbow, but she couldn't reach it. So she asked her friends Eloise and Elsie the elves to help. They each took an egg and rolled it on Ella's elbow, this didn't work. So they each took an envelope and tried that, but that didn't end well. They then asked an elk to scratch the itch but he was enormous and couldn't reach the elbow. Eloise and Elsie were exhausted and had no energy left. Ella said excitedly, "let's exercise, it helps give us energy". So the 3 engaged with some exercise and they enjoyed working out and felt much better.

Topic: This week we will be continuing our new topic of 'minibeasts'. Each week we will be focusing on a different story. This week is 'Norman the Slug', you may have this story at home to read if not we can enjoy the story together. You will find the link here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJgJyl8Hrhk>

Daily Challenges:

- Here are some more amazing lessons with Louise, our drama teacher, all about spiders!
Drama: Superworm <https://youtu.be/sSgOOYHQrng>
Music: Growing Flowers <https://youtu.be/IYRongEBic4>
- Can you create your own snail artwork? There are so many amazing ideas online but here are some of my favourites. How might you make it? What shapes will you need?



- Parent challenge: Please keep emailing me lots of the wonderful photos – I love seeing all the children and what you have been up to. Share anything that you found useful or liked on your whatsapp group ☺ email is: nursery@meadlands.richmond.sch.uk
- Any questions please do email me I will be in school on some days but I will try to respond ASAP.

Extra maths sheet.

Minibeasts Counting

'Can You Find...?' Poster Instructions

Can you find these things in the picture?

8 flies

7 ants

6 worms

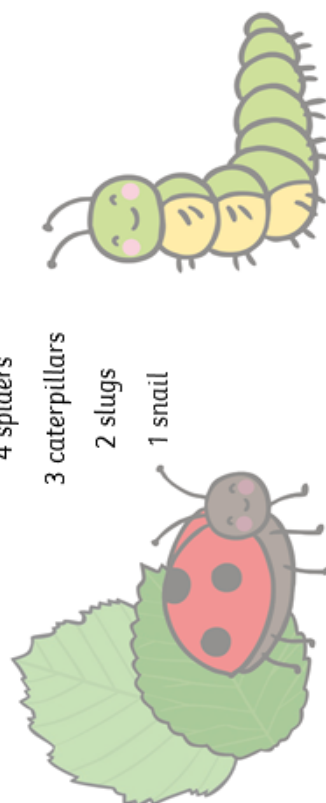
5 ladybirds

4 spiders

3 caterpillars

2 slugs

1 snail



How many legs does an ant have?

How many legs does a spider have?

Which minibeasts have you held in your hand?

Where do worms live?

What is the difference between snails and slugs?

What happens to the caterpillar when it wants to turn into a butterfly?

