

# Year 2 - Summer 1



## Wriggle and Crawl

## **Topic**

Our topic this term is going to be 'Wriggle and Crawl'. Grab your coat and wellies – we're going out and about on a mini-beast hunt. Let's explore the local environment where we will look at trees and bushes, take a sneaky peek into holes and crevices and lift up logs to see who's home. We will learn about bees and worms and butterflies and investigate the food chain to show who eats who. We will also find out how a mini-beast's appearance can help it avoid being eaten. We will look at a range of camouflaged creatures, such as the peppered moth, stick insect and shield bug and compare them them with butterflies, ladybirds and wasps, which have bright colours and patterns!

#### **Numeracy**

In Numeracy, we will be focusing on:

- \* Interpreting and constructing simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables.
- \* Recognise, find, name and write fractions including 1/2, 1/4, 2/4, and 3/4 of a length, set of objects, shape, or quantity.
- \* Estimate and measure/compare and

## **Literacy**

In Literacy, we will be focusing on:

- \* Writing and presenting poetry!
- Consolidating our letter formation, sentence structures and spelling patterns
- \* Continuing to develop our descriptive language features including adjectives, adverbs, alliteration and similes

### **Home Learning**

- Regular reading/times table practise where possible
- \* Go on a mini-beast hunt to find out what creatures live in your local environment.

  Take photographs or draw the mini-beasts that you find. You could also keep a tally of how many of each mini-beast you find and draw a bar chart of your results!
- \* Visit a local museum to see if they have any insect specimens on display. Huge moths, colourful butterflies and armoured beetles are all amazing to see.
- \* Invent mini-beasts of your own. Draw, paint or make models of new mini-beasts, then give them a name and describe their special features.



## <u>Parental Engagement</u>

We would love for you to join us as we create mini beast houses in our wild area at school\*.

Bring your old clothes/shoes and any recycled or natural materials you can find such as cardboard rolls, leaves, pine cones, twigs, plant pots, tubes, bricks etc!

Thursday 16th May at 3pm

\*weather permitting - activity may change