

## RE

This term we will be continuing to learn about Easter and how Jesus is the Risen Lord. We will explore feelings of joy and happiness and recalling the good news of the Easter story. We will be sharing some of the special ways we celebrated Easter together. Later in the term we will be learning about Pentecost and how Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to give life and renew us.

## Personal Social and Emotional Development

This term our topic is 'relationships' – we will be learning how to share and get along, understanding fairness and why we have rules in school. We will also be looking at feelings of loneliness and how it feels to be judged through the stories of Rainbow fish and his friends.



## Literacy

This term we are looking at non-fiction books on bugs we will be labelling pictures, writing facts and writing captions to match! We will also be writing our own 'The very hungry caterpillar' story after reading the book, using the puppets and story mapping and sequencing the pictures. We will be learning bug poems and chants to perform for our 'Ugly bug ball!'



## Expressive Arts and Design

We will be using the role play area to be bug explorers – investigating bugs and then developing a garden roleplay to be fairies and pixies in! We will also be using papier-mâché to make a bugs and exploring ways of joining materials to achieve a planned effect by making and creating egg box spiders, caterpillars and bees – please save any junk we can use! We will also be colour mixing and looking at symmetry when we make beautiful butterflies!

## Understanding the World

We will be learning about things the lifecycle of a butterfly and hopefully hatch out our own butterflies. We may have a trip to the Buckfast butterfly centre to end the 'Bugs' topic. On the learnpads we will be playing phonics games and drawing pictures of bugs and insects! We will also be using the Beebots to move around and learn directional language. We will be using the outdoor woodland area to go on bug hunts and look for minibeasts! Talking about habitats and the food chain and how we can care for bugs in our own gardens – making bug hotels from canes!

## Maths

This term we will be learning how to tell the time using the story of 'The bad tempered ladybird' – please help your child by looking at the clocks you have at home and talking about time. We will be learning to count in 2's and 10's as well as continuing to count reliably and finding the total of two groups by counting all of them. We will also be introducing subtraction sums. We will be weighing and ordering items. Measuring length using wiggly worms and we will also be using bugs to make patterns and sequence and order numbers to 20.



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## Things to remember... Show and tell is on Monday afternoon

– please bring in one item which is something related to the topic! Welly walk is on Monday morning first session. PE is on Friday morning taught by an external coach – and Wednesday morning. Pre-school children do not need PE kits but for safety earrings should be removed. On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May we will be having an Ugly Bug Ball from 2.30pm to celebrate the end of our topic – parents are welcome to attend. The children will perform their songs and poems and we can all have a drink and a snail biscuit or butterfly bun that the children have made! Please read with your child and complete the phonics activities – it really does make a huge difference to their learning when practised at home! Thank you for your support.

## Physical Development

Our PE day will continue to be Friday (am) when we have a specialist coach in to teach us. We will be continuing to practise getting changed independently and this term working on some athletics skills and playing team games. As the weather is getting warmer we will be starting an outdoor PE session on Wednesday concentrating on listening games and parachute games this term. Each week (Monday am) we will be going on a 'welly walk'. Please make sure your child has wellies in school and suitable coat – we will be looking at signs of spring and bug hunting!