

This Week in Reception

Week Beginning 22nd June 2020

Our Topic: Marvellous Minibeasts

What we will be doing in school	How you can help at home
<p><u>Topic - Minibeasts</u> Minibeasts</p> <p>We will learn about spiders. Spiders are arachnids. We will be looking at the different common species of spiders and their diet and habitats.</p> 	<p>Look for spiders. What does your child notice about them? What do they notice about their webs?</p> <p>Where might you find spiders? What do they eat? How do they catch their prey?</p>
<p><u>Maths</u></p> <p>In Maths, we will be learning about money. We will be learning to recognise and order different coins. We will be practising some simple addition using coins e.g. $2p + 5p = 7p$. We will also be creating a minibeast shop in our 'home corner' where children can buy and sell minibeast toys.</p> 	<p>Try helping your child do some shopping with their pocket money (real or pretend). How much is your shopping? Look at the different types of coins with them. Which numbers can they see on some of them? Do they have enough? How much do they need to buy two things?</p> <p>Continue to practise writing numerals with the correct orientation and digits in correct places (e.g. twelve as 12 not 21).</p>

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Phonics and tricky words

New sounds: ow (as in cow) and er

New tricky words: when and what

Sounds taught so far: c, o, a, d, g, f, s, e, l, i, t, u, y, j, r, n, m, p, h, b, k, v, w, x, z, qu, ll, ss, ff, zz, sh, ch, th, ck, oo, oo, ee, or, ar, ng, ai, oi, oa, ear, air, igh

Tricky words taught so far: the, to, I, you, was, no, go, me, my, he, be, like, have, we, some, they, all, she, are, come, her, so, do, said.

Other high frequency words taught so far: yes, from, this, that, then, dear, from, went, his.

Look for the sounds spelt with two or three letters (digraphs and trigraphs), can they say the sound? E.g. oa, ar, ear, air, igh, ow and er. Can they begin to blend sounds to read simple words? E.g. "s-t-air-s = stairs", "r-igh-t = right"

You could write a couple of sentences with some deliberate mistakes in and ask your child to spot them e.g.

the cat sAton tHemat

It should have:

- a capital letter at the beginning of the sentence
- no capital letters in the middle of words
- finger spaces between the words
- a full stop at the end.

Additional activities

We will practise weaving as we make our own spider webs.



Mrs Rodrigues would like recommend to parents, the two books she has read, relating to minibeasts - The History of Bees by Maja Lunde and The Beekeeper of Aleppo By Christy Lefteri.

Happy Reading