

## Topic: In the Garden/Minibeasts



riease see below ine iasks we would like your child to work on this week. If you have any problems, please remember that you can email me on <u>ssmart@wtwschool.co.uk</u> during school hours. We would love to see what you have done at home — feel free to email us or use tapestry!

Please note that any links to internet sites and YouTube videos need to be supervised by an adult, and they may contain adverts. You do not need to pay for any of the sites we are suggesting.

If you need any additional pencils, paper or other stationery, please contact the school and we can arrange that for you to collect.

This half term we will be looking closely at gardens and minibeasts. We would normally be planting lots, spending lots of time outside exploring the natural environment and finding and exploring many different mini beasts. Things will obviously be a little different this year! If you are lucky enough to have a balcony or a garden that you can access safely, please plant lots, talk about the process of planting and spend time looking at how your plants are growing and changing,

Do not worry if not, we will still be having lots of fun and exploring natural materials as much as we can!

## Move it...

Joe Wicks is providing free PE lessons live at 9am each day via his YouTube channel. This is a great way to start the day and is suitable for all ages. Either google 'Joe Wicks PE lesson' or go to the link below:

https://www.thebodycoach.com/blog/pe-with-joe-1254 html

This week it is time for the Ugly Bug Ball Please listen to the Ugly Bug Ball song here using the link. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XXSOJH4KmZw</u>

We will also be providing an online yoga lesson from Kamlyn who used to teach the yoga dub at Walnut Tree Walk. This is a session exclusively for children at Walnut Tree Walk and is free for you! The time and details will be sent later.

Build it	Design it	Play it
This week it is time to celebrate all brilliant bugs and magical insects! We will be planning and enjoying an Ugly Bug Ball! This week try a minibeast hunt when you go out for your walk. I have attached a checklist where you can tick off any minibeasts you can find over the week. Look around flowerbeds, plants, bushes, under stones and rocks in damp soil patches. Make a note of how many of each bug you find. Can you build some of the minibeasts we have looked at this week? You could create a caterpillar? Can you make a colour patterned caterpillar? You could use 2,3 or even 4 colours in your pattern. Make a bee pattern using bricks or construction materials. How about a symmetrical butterfly pattern? Can you create a spider and create all those spider legs?	This week it is time for the Ugly Bug Ball! Can you create some invitations to invite any bugs to the ball this week? What bugs and insects will you invite? Can you create a special Ugly Bug Ball menu for the ball? Think about the different foods you can have at the ball. A few suggestions Honey sandwiches, Ladybird biscuits, Worm spaghetti/noodles, Crunchy caterpillar fruit kebabs, butterfly cupcakes. What delicious treats will you create?	This week can you create the costumes you will need for the Ugly Bug Ball? You could make headwear for your yourself and your family. Using strips of paper and adding the minibeast patterns, eyes, antenna or whatever you would like. Can you find any patterned material at home that you could use for a costume? Can you create a special Ugly Bug Ball dance? Think about the different ways that different bugs move? Can you think of some movements for each bug? Can you slide like a snail? Can you slide like a snail? Can you slide like a caterpillar? March like an ant? Dance like a bee? Spin like a spider? Scuttle like a woodlouse? Zig Zag like a millipede? Zoom like a fly? Creep like a beetle?

		Waltz like a dragonfly? Slither like a slug? Here is the Ugly Bug Ball song. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XXSOJH4KmZw Here is the link to Flight of the Bumble bee music. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XI4kC_sFH01 Can you find any other suitable music? Try and make some of your own too! MOST IMPORTANTLY ENJOY YOUR UGLY BUG BALL!
Read it	Write it	Count it

This week look back at all the minibeast stories we	This week think about your favourite minibeast	I have attached a fun 'Adding
have enjoyed.	and why you like it so much.	minibeasts' PowerPoint this week.
Can you reread them?	It is the pattern?	Help Normie Gnome count all the
Think about which one was your favourite.	What can it do that is special?	minibeasts that visit his garden.
Why did you like it the most?	Can it fly?	
Did you read any new minibeast stories?	Can you draw your favourite minibeast? Talk to a grown up about why it is your favourite.	Can you add the minibeasts together to find out how many tiny visitors he
Have a try at making a minibeast story bag.	Become a minibeast scientist!	has?
Add a selection of minibeasts and other objects to a bag you could add leaves, bark, fir cones, twigs, branches, or anything you would like. Maybe you could	I have added an 'observation' form for you to try this week. When you are out on your walks, look out for minibeasts and then try and complete an	If you enjoyed your minibeast hunt this week, think about the different bugs you have found.
add some pictures of your family too! These can be pictures of the bugs and objects, toys,	observation form. Look closely at the colours, patterns etc.	Can you count how many of each bug you have found?
or real objects.		Which one did you find the most?
Take one out at a time and make up your own story as	Try and make some playdough letters this week	Which one did you find the least?
you do. If you add new objects to the bag, can you create a brand-new story? How about a new ending?	too! Can you create the letters we have looked at? How about the letters in your name?	Why do you think this was?
I have added some fun PowerPoints you can explore this week.	Can you practise the letter $ {f K}$ this week?	Make little snail puppets and sing the rhyme 5 little garden snails
Mini beast what can you see? Minibeast what am I?	Can you make the letter shape for $K$ ? K is for	Sleeping in the sun
Enjoy exploring the PowerPoints and recapping on some	kangaroo.	Along comes a red bird And flies away with one.
fun facts!	As you try it you can say the poem'Down the kangaroo's body, tail and leg.'	4 little garden snails Sleeping in the sun
	······································	Along comes a blue bird
	Below is a video to help make the correct sounds for each letter if you are not sure. Please do not	And flies away with one etc
	worry about doing all of them (there are many!) You can just practise the letters we have looked at from the previous weeks.	(Take one away, how many snails are left? Talk about what is happening to the number of snails each time.

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a	Have another go at writing the letters you have already practised too! Please continue to practise writing your name.	try it with more snails or ask questions such as if the bird took 2 snails, then how many snails would be left?) Have a try at making up your own minibeast counting rhyme. You could have 5 tiny flies that get caught in the spiders' web or 5 little caterpillars that transform into butterflies and fly away!

Please remember to visit <u>https://www.pinterest.co.uk/</u> for ideas to help you if you are stuck.

https://www.twinkl.co.uk/ is also free to use at the moment and has loads of activities and ideas.

Please also remember to log into LGFL using the log in details that were sent home last week.

Please email me if you need help and remember to keep sending me any pictures/photos or messages so we can keep in touch!

Thank you