# Reception Summer 1

### **Bugs and Beasties**

#### Vocabulary

Digraph - two letters that make one sound e.g. sh ai ee

Trigraph - three letters that make one sound e.g. igh ear air

Vowels - help 'stick' letters together to make words

Subitising - The ability to look at a small number of objects and recognise how many objects there are without needing to count.

#### Non-Fiction / Fiction

Story Language - Next, after that, finally, suddenly, said, then, soon, once upon a time

#### **Our Learning**

- Develop patience with each other.
- Expressing clearly what they like or do not like.
- Outdoor Learning—Get outside as much as you can!
- Developing fine motor skills e.g. scissor and pencil grip and control
- Handwriting forming the letters correctly
- Using phonic knowledge to write words and sentences
- Building confidence and resilience "I can do it!"
- Explore addition, subtraction and mental recall of facts from 0-10
- Observing changes in minibeasts and frogs as they transition throughout their lifecycle.

## **Key Dates**

Monday 19th April—INSET Day

Tuesday 4th May—Parent conferences 3:30-6pm

Thursday 6th May—Parent conferences 5-7:30pm

Thursday 27th May—Last day of term

Friday 28th May—INSET Day





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#### **Children's Interests**

We will be following the children's interests daily, so topics, stories and themes may change.

Grow...

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Play.

#### The very impatient caterpillar

- What happens to caterpillars for them to transform into but-terflies.
- Comparing the story to our own caterpillars.
- Discussing what they find difficult and how we all find different things tricky.
- Look at the life-cycle of a caterpillar/butterfly

#### What the Ladybird Heard—Julia Donaldson

- Drawing maps and writing labels
- Making predictions
- Discussing our favourite parts and how they may be different to other peoples.

### PSED

This half term we will be continuing to develop the children's social skills and encouraging them to use gentle hands and kinds words when communicating with each other.

We will be encouraging teamwork as well as playing games against each other to allow them to understand how it feels to win and lose and develop the skills of resilience and respect.

We encourage you to play a range of games with your children at home and talk about how you all feel when you win and lose. Think about how your reactions can change how people feel too.

#### The Teeny Weeny Tadpole — Sheridan Cain

- Discuss things we can now achieve and things we still want to learn.
- Look at the life-cycle of a tadpole/frog.
- Observe tadpoles/frogs in Jack's Pond and discuss he changes that are occurring.



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