

This half term's topic is '**Minibeasts**'

These are **the home learning challenges** that link to the learning we will be doing in school. We would like you to complete as many of the tasks over the **half term** as possible. Please upload your completed activities onto **Seesaw** or bring it into school as you complete it. It would be great to **share** with the rest of the class.

### Weekly Essentials

#### Reading:

Enjoy story time with your grown up for 10 minutes everyday. This can be reading a story at bedtime or making up your own with teddies.

#### Physical Activity:

Take part in some physical activity every day. Choose from a number of wake and shake songs on YouTube.

#### Maths:

Practise counting to 10 and beyond each day.

The **knowledge organiser** and **class newsletter** has lots of information and facts for you to use and help you with your learning too.

#### Personal, Social and Emotional

For the older children, in preparation for Reception, read the 'Colour Monster goes to school' book with your child.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z3STJCQPGQs>






Ask your child how they are feeling about going to Reception.

Draw pictures of what you think you might do on your first day in Reception.

#### Mathematics

Encourage your child to help you when out shopping by counting and collecting objects to put into the basket e.g 'Can you get 2 apples?'.

#### Shopping List

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|   |   | Fruit      |
| 2 |    | apple      |
| 1 |    | bananas    |
| 3 |   | grapes     |
| 6 |  | orange     |
| 1 |  | watermelon |

#### Understanding the World

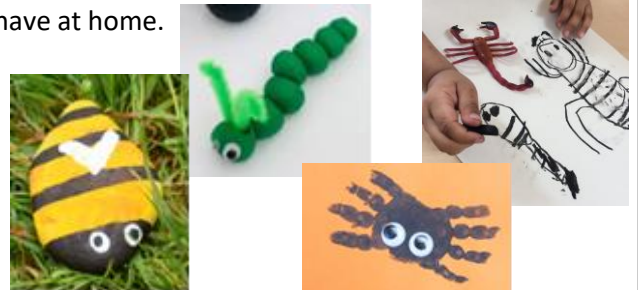
Create your very own minibeast hotel in your garden. Watch the following video to help you: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OexxoXo9uFk>

Once your minibeast hotel has been set up for a few weeks take a look around it to see what you can find. Can you create a minibeast checklist with your grown up and tick off what you find?



#### Expressive Arts and Design

Have a go at creating your favourite minibeast. Get creative and use whatever tools and resources you have at home.



#### Physical Development

Play a throw and catch game with someone in your family to develop arm/shoulder strength and increase hand-eye co-ordination.

If you don't have a ball, you can always use a pillow or a pair of socks.



#### Literacy/Phonics

Practise writing your name ready for Reception.

Can you sign your name in birthday cards or on the back of your drawings?

There are other fun ways to practise writing your name. For example, in a sensory tray with flour or shaving foam.

