



Reception



News

In the first few weeks, Reception children have been a joy to teach and are settling in really well.

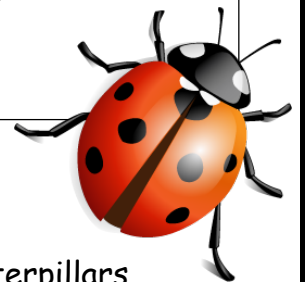
Please can we remind parents/carers to bring extra clothing for their child and leave on their pegs.

Also look out for information on our MacMillan coffee event on October 4th.

Learning

To help settle our children we have been learning about friendships in our 'Do you want to be friends?' topic. As you know, children have been bringing in their favourite soft toys and sharing them with us. We have enjoyed hearing about some of the experiences they have shared together and hope that children have enjoyed bringing their soft toys on their first few days of school.

Later in the term we will be learning about mini-beasts in our 'Why do lady birds have spots?' topic. We look forward to hunting and exploring different mini-beasts and their habitats.










Why do ladybirds have spots?

Why do ladybirds have spots? Why do spiders spin webs? How do caterpillars change into butterflies? We will explore these questions and more in this project about mini-beasts and their habitats. We will learn about the similarities and differences between different mini-beasts, and how they grow and change. We will also look at the plants and flowers in their habitats and what they eat and spend some time exploring colour and pattern.

Throughout the year, all topic activities are linked to all areas of learning as well as the characteristics of learning shown in the table below to ensure a broad and balanced curriculum for the children.

Areas of Learning and Development



Prime Areas			
Personal, Social and Emotional Development 	Physical Development 	Communication and Language 	
Specific Areas			
Literacy 	Mathematics 	Understanding the world 	Expressive Arts and Design 



We encourage children to become independent learners who want to explore and find out, who enjoy achieving what they have set out to do and come up with their own ideas, choosing ways of doing things and finding new ways.

Things you could do at home...

Make a model of a mini-beast home

Create a poster of your favourite mini-beast

Hunt for creepy crawlies, how many legs do they have?

Learn fun facts about your favourite mini-beast creature

Can you find out if all ladybirds have spots?