

## English

- This half-term children will be writing their own minibeast story based on *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle.
- Children will learn to write a set of instructions about caring for minibeasts.
- They will learn to write minibeast riddles using clues.
- At the end of the half term children will use their minibeast knowledge to write a letter to Steve Backshall from BBC's *Deadly 60*.



<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/shows/deadly-60>

## Music

- We will be focussing on the musical element duration this half term.
- Whilst learning about duration, the children will learn to identify short and long sounds in music and use percussion instruments and their voices to create long and short sounds.
- The children will also take part in a class composition, and will perform their composition to their peers.



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## Science

- As Scientists, the children will be learning about how to classify different minibeasts by how they look, how they move and what they eat.
- Children will investigate and explore Nature's Corner to identify the different habitats minibeasts come from.
- They will identify and name a variety of plants and animals, and look at food chains.



## RE

- This half term the children will focus on the religion Christianity,
- They will explore the theme of kindness and how we should treat others.



## Geography

As geographers, the children will take part in a walk where they will learn about the key human and physical features of the school and the local environment.

## Computing

- As researchers, the children will use the internet to find information about minibeasts. They will develop their ICT skills in order to access the netbooks independently during lessons.
- Children will learn how to send and open emails. They will also learn how to attach a photograph to an email.

## P.E.



- Children will develop their games, multiskills and dance skills during sessions on a Monday and Friday.
- As part of their learning, they will take part in a caterpillar dance and match their movements to music.

## Maths



- As mathematicians, the children will learn to count sets of objects in different ways.
- They will focus on understanding place value, ordering numbers and identifying tens and ones in numbers.
- During the half term there will be lots of opportunities to practise calculation skills, mainly addition and subtraction, with a range of resources.
- Their learning will be recorded using images, photographs, pictures and number sentences.

## Art & Design Technology

- As artists the children will draw using observation skills and add detail to their artwork.
- As designers the children will use a range of materials creatively to design and make products including a minibeast mobile and 3D minibeast,



### Things to do at home...

- Research and find out about a minibeast. Create a leaflet, poster, powerpoint presentation, video or anything else you can think of to show off your learning.
- Carry out a bug hunt in your garden. What did you find? Where did you find it? Don't forget to be careful and to put creatures back where you found them.
- Create a minibeast habitat that would encourage creatures to come and live safely inside.
- Make your own minibeast using junk model materials.
- Write a minibeast riddle.

## KENTS HILL SCHOOL

Year 2

### Curriculum for the first half of the Autumn Term 2016

#### Wriggle and Crawl

