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Dear parents/carers,

Please find below an overview of reception topics this half term, including some links and activities which can be completed at home.

PE will continue to be on a Friday morning for both classes. Forest school will run later in the half term and we will update you with the dates when they are confirmed.

Reception Overview – Summer 1- Minibeasts

<u>Communication and Language:</u> This half term we are going to be looking at minibeasts. Every week the children will be exploring a new story linked to a different creature. We have some caterpillars in the classrooms that the children will be able to watch change and grow into butterflies. This will be a very interactive way of exploring life cycles and will help us to enrich our vocabulary. We will also be having a visit from 'The Bug Man' as a special treat, funded by our cake and plant sales.	<u>Phonics:</u> The children have been regrouped following recent phonics assessments and will continue to have daily phonics in their groups. Each group will be taught by a familiar staff member who will deliver phonics lessons to the correct level for each child. We will continue to look at special friends, tricky words and alien words. Reading homework will be set each Monday and should be completed by the following Monday. <u>Phonics Activities for home</u> https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ www.topmarks.co.uk
<u>Literacy:</u> Our Literacy work across this half term is looking at a range of minibeast stories. The children will spend time reinventing stories, writing poems and using their senses to describe the environment and the creatures we find. In our written work we will continue to build sentences, including finger spaces and full stops. We are beginning to up-level our work using adjectives to make it more exciting for the reader!	<u>Math's:</u> In Maths we will be exploring 3D shapes and numbers to 20. We will be using a range of resources and real-life opportunities to support our learning. We will be forming addition calculations and beginning to look at subtraction, towards the end of this half term. We will continue to strengthen our number bonds to 10 support our counting skills using songs and rhymes.
<u>Understanding the World:</u> Through RE we will continue to follow the Jigsaw scheme of work. Our focus will be fables, looking at stories with a moral. The children will discuss what the story is trying to teach us and retelling through drama, discussion and puppets. We will also be learning about the environment around us, seasons and how minibeasts grow and change.	<u>Expressive Arts and Design:</u> This half term we are going to be creating lots of minibeast crafts, using a variety of materials and tools. The children will be printing, painting and building their own minibeasts. Through our imaginative play we are going to be building up our vocabulary by looking at describing words, to encourage the children to expand their sentences.
<u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development:</u> We follow the Jigsaw scheme of work and will be focusing on relationships, families and friends. We will look at what it means to be a good friend and discussing our families, whilst also exploring these through our role play areas.	<u>Physical Development:</u> In PE this half term we are looking at dance. We will be learning about rhythm and tempo. We hope to share some of our dancing with you at the end of half term in our 'Ugly Bug Ball'.

Many Thanks,
The Reception Team