Nursery: Minibeasts

Prime Areas: links to theme

Personal Social and Emotional

- Turn taking games
- Talking about our experiences
- Sharing news and show and tell
- Taking responsibility for completing small tasks
- Playing in a group, cooperatively

Communication and Language

- Telling stories and dictating stories
- Joining in with repeated refrains and rhymes.
- Beginning to understand 'why' and 'how' questions
- Retelling past events in order
- Building up vocabulary that reflects experiences

Physical Development

- Moving in a variety of ways
- Beginning to hold a pencil between thumb and first two fingers and using it with good control
- Running skilfully and negotiating space successfully
- Walking downstairs and mounting stairs using alternate feet
- Using one handed tools and equipment
- Understanding that tools have to be used safely

Specific Areas:

Mathematics

- Reciting numbers in order to 5
- Showing an interest in shape and space by playing with shapes
- Representing numbers using fingers and marks on paper
- Reading number books and making our own
- Matching numeral and quantity correctly
- Separating a group of objects in different ways, realising that the total is the same.

Understanding the World

- Talking about things we have observed
- Showing care and concern for living things and the environment
- Commenting and asking questions about the world around us
- Developing an understanding of growth

Expressive Arts and Design

- Exploring musical instruments and how sounds can be changed
- Using various construction materials
- Realising tools can be used for a purpose
- Engaging in imaginative role play
- Singing a few familiar songs, joining in with actions

Literacy

- Shared reading of books; 1-1, small groups and whole class
- Making our own versions of stories we have read
- Blending and segmenting in phonics
- Give meaning to marks that we draw and paint
- Suggesting how a story may end
- Joins in with repeated refrains of stories and poems