



Minibeast Madness Topic Trail

Year 2 Summer Term (2nd half)

Here is some of the learning we focus on this half term for you to discuss and research.



SATS week 1

Transition to Juniors – weekly activities.



Visit to Twycross zoo
Thursday 2nd July
2026

SPORTS DAY:
Wednesday
10th July.



Key values:

Safety Sprite

Kind Sprite



Transition:

Many activities planned for preparing the children.

To know ways of coping with change.

To talk about changes make us feel.

To prepare for transition to junior school through a range of activities.

Foundation Subjects: I will know...

Science: naming and identifying minibeasts, observing minibeasts and their microhabitats, planning investigations and fair tests.

Geography: making maps of the local area, including labels and a key. Understanding how a compass work and the directions of North, South, East, West.

Computing: Questioning: how to answer questions using pictograms, binary trees and databases. Making music: creating and sequencing music using the program 2sequence.

DT: Designing my own product, reflecting on my likes and dislikes, learn sewing techniques by joining fabrics with a running stitch.

PE Games: To show the Olympic values of friendship, respect, excellence, determination, courage, equality and inspiration.

PE Yoga: To develop co-ordination, agility, speed and balance when moving in and out of yoga poses.

RE: share the stories of Daniel and the Lion's den and David and Goliath. Learn about the Jewish festival of Hannukah.

Music: Singing more challenging songs, including small group/solo singing. Composing a simple melody and notating it using standard rhythm and staff notation.

Key Questions

Where do minibeasts live?

What is a micro habitat?

How can I collect and record data to answer questions about animals and their habitats?

What is a fair test?

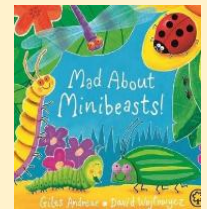
How can I use a key to find information on a map?



Vital Vocabulary

minibeast, microhabitat, invertebrate, exoskeleton, thorax, fair test, database, north, south, east, west, compass direction, observation, map, key.

Key texts



Core Subjects

Maths- Measures, Position and Direction, Multiplication and Division

Phonics: Supersonic Phonic Friends- Suze's Y2 Super Spelling rules. See weekly phonics newsletter.

English- Non-fiction, instructions, fact file, poetry writing including alliteration and riddles, handwriting joins, spelling high frequency words, descriptive writing, conjunctions, punctuation including apostrophes, reading comprehensions, editing own work.



Year 2 Graduation and Leavers Celebration
Wednesday 15th July, 2pm

Transition to Junior School
Wednesday 1st July.