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Tuesday 5th May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Literacy:

- We will be continuing to look at 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.
- The children will be planning and writing their own version of the story eg: The Very Hungry Bird or The Very Hungry Dinosaur.

Phonics:

Please use the QR codes, sent home previously, to access the video lessons.

- Mrs Bond's group will be learning ar and or.
- Mrs O'Toole's group will be learning oo (zoo) and oo (book).
- Mrs Greenslade's group will be recapping ch and nk.
- Mrs Vanstone's groups will be learning ch and nk.
- Miss Houghton's group will be practising all single sounds and reading words.

Reading books will continue to be changed on a Friday. Please ensure they are in your child's bag so we can change them.

Maths:

- We are focusing on subtraction. The children will be encouraged to use their subitising skills to work out how many have been taken away from a group or how many are left.



Other Areas:

- Continuing to observe our caterpillars.
- Making snails out of clay
- Role playing being minibeasts in a garden setting.
- Learning minibeast songs.

Reminders:

- Devon County Council policy and risk assessment state that the children are not allowed to wear earrings for PE. They should be removed. We are not allowed to cover them with tape.
- Drink bottles should have water not juice.
- Minibeast dress up day is on Friday, 22nd May. The preschools have been invited to join us in the morning for a story, parade and song. The children can come to school dressed as a minibeast or a bug hunter.
- The children shouldn't be bringing in toys to school. They get lost and broken.
- If your child has a book that links to our topic, that they would like us to read, then they can bring these in and put them by our laptops.
- We are doing games in PE and learning team races. The children are therefore wearing their plimsols. Please can you check that they fit, as a few of the children are telling us that they hurt their feet.

Homework ideas:

- Please practise number formation with your child.
- Make a minibeast using natural materials. Please upload a photo to Tapestry.
- Play a game that involves adding and taking away, for example snakes and ladders.

The Foundation Stage Team

