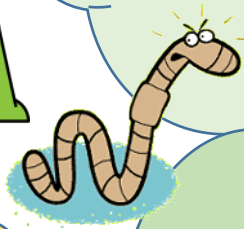


MINIBEASTS  
SUMMER 1  
2016



**Mathematical Moments- Counting & Patterns**

- Minibeast counting games (how many spots, wings, legs?)
- Sorting minibeasts in sets
- Patterns and shapes
- Butterfly symmetry painting
- Repeating patterns – threading bead caterpillars
- 5 little speckled frogs in water tray

**PSED & The World**

- Party Animals Ltd – visit children with a wide range of insects/animals – hands on sessions
- Butterfly tunnels- grow your own and then release into garden.
- Magnifying glasses & bug boxes

**Outdoors and Physical**

- Minibeast hunts with magnifying glasses (plastic minibeasts if inside)
- Make arms/legs for minibeasts from playdough
- Caterpillar walk at school
- Moving like insects (eg: crawling like caterpillars)
- Visit library at school for books

**Stories and Rhymes**

- **Stories** – The very Hungry Caterpillar, The Bad Tempered Ladybird, Aaargghh Spider!, Busy Bees.
- **Rhymes** –Wiggly Woo, Incy wincy Spider, The ants went marching in.
- **Non-Fiction books**

**Creative & Imaginary Play**

- **Music** - Sticky Kids CD – *How does a butterfly go?*
- Create bug sounds with instruments
- Have an 'Ugly Bug Ball' dance with masks.
- Dress up as minibeasts
- **Cooking** – Ladybird biscuits / honey sandwiches,
- Small world Minibeast play
- **Sensory** – Slimey, sticky play, natural materials.
- Role play – garden underworld / bug den or link to story