

5<sup>th</sup> May 2017



Dear Parents,

This week the children have been regularly monitoring the caterpillars and keeping a diary of their growth. They have lots of fantastic knowledge and understanding of the mini-beasts we are studying and their life cycles.

In maths this week, the children have been securing their subtraction written methods and using this to solve word problems. The children completed mental arithmetic tests using methods re-capped this term to support their understanding. They are moving forward with their times tables, some children have moved onto their fours in preparation for KS2.

In English this week, the children have been looking at the difference between fiction and non-fiction text. Our focus is on mini-beasts, the children listened to facts about a variety of different creatures to then produce some big, independent writing. They appear to be very interested and are retaining some unusual information. Did you know that butterflies taste with their feet?

In art this week, the children have been making their own mini-beasts out of egg boxes (thank you) and using their hands as a template for a spider. The display is beginning to look great and they will be able to bring their fantastic creations home at the end of term 6.

Election will take place after the KS1 tests and the children are thoroughly enjoying preparing their party's campaign!

Kind regards,

Mrs Wardle and Mrs Patterson