



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 15th April 2024

We will be continuing our brand new topic of 'Habitats' with links to animals and their lifecycles too.

Our caterpillars arrived last week and are already eating lots and growing fast. We are excited to see how they grow and change over the coming week.

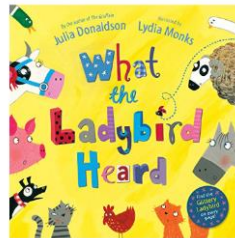
In RE we will continue our Easter topic by thinking about the resurrection of Jesus. We will be noticing the changes to our prayer focus in the classroom and learning about the symbols we see at Easter time.

Focus words this week: Resurrection, ascend, belief, insect, habitat

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

What the
Ladybird Heard



Maths Focus:

Counting on to add



Encourage your child to count on by holding a number in their head or in their fist (for example 5) and add three more using their fingers.... 6, 7, 8

Encourage children who find this tricky to count on in steps from any number. Start counting "16..." and ask them to continue counting on.. "17,18,19"



Rhyme of the Week:

There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf, Wiggle Wiggle
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There's a tiny caterpillar, a tiny caterpillar,
There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf, Wiggle Wiggle

He will eat the leaves around him till he's full,
Munch, Munch!

He will eat the leaves around him till he's full,
Munch, Munch!

He will eat the leaves around him, eat the leaves around him,
He will eat the leaves around him till he's full,
Munch, Munch!

A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home, Spin, Spin!
A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home, Spin, Spin! A cocoon is
what he's spinning, A cocoon is what he's spinning,
A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home, Spin, Spin!

He will be a butterfly and flap like this, Flap Flap! He will be a
butterfly and flap like this, Flap Flap! He will be a butterfly, He will
be a butterfly, He will be a butterfly and flap like this, Flap
Flap!

Story Time

Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

1000 story books will be changed on Mondays this half term.



This week the children will:

- Go on a minibeast hunt and investigate areas around the school grounds that make habitats for animals.
- Listen to and talk about the Easter story
- Continue our new talk 4 writing book (What the Ladybird Heard) and begin to learn some actions.
- Finish our maps from the story.
- Look for animals around us and the places that they live also noticing the changing signs of the season happening around us.
- Create a habitat for insects outside.
- Helping to complete and develop our habitat small world and displays with model making and painting.
- Play in our new small world area - investigating minibeasts!
- Learn to add by counting on using our fingers and tens frames
- Know what habitat means by exploring outdoors and looking at photos
- Explore our new curiosity cube
- Writing labels, lists and information linked to our new topic



Monday 8th April School reopens for the Summer term.