

Communication & language

Five little speckled frogs
Talk about how things look and move. How have we changed. What conditions do minibeasts need to live? Observe changing seasons. How do plants and animals change over time?
Describe how minibeasts look and feel.
Discuss with children what they are painting and drawing when they are doing their observational work.
Minibeast poems
Zoo lab

Physical Development

Move to music. Move like frogs and jump.
Five little speckled frogs
Oak— YOGA and Little Movers
Caterpillars and turning into butterflies
Working with lots of small apparatus to develop throwing catching and aiming skills.
Weaving and spotty spiders
Healthy eating -5 a day
Planting minibeast friendly plants.

Personal, social & emotional development

Circle time—stories

Caring for others
Turn taking and sharing equipment.
Looking after and caring for classroom and environment.
Taking care of living things
Zoo lab

Literacy

RWI Phonics
Acorns set 1 sound of the week.
Oak set 2 and set 3

Stories

Hungry Caterpillar
Bad tempered Lady Bird
The Snail and the Whale
Sharing a Shell
Crunching Munching Caterpillar
Slow Snail
Jaspers Beanstalk
Growing Frogs
Tiny Seed
Hungry Harry
Super worm
The Very Lazy Ladybird.
Selection of non-fiction books

Recalling stories/Writing observations.
Drawing and labelling pictures. Use phonic knowledge in all writing and mark making
Oak—Writing in full sentences and describing mini beasts.

Minibeasts

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Mathematics

Counting rhymes.
Identify and write numbers.
Counting 1 to 1 and rote
Adding and subtracting
Measuring- height and length-
measuring minibeasts
Symmetry
Counting spots/legs etc
How tall are we?

Acorns number of the week.
Oak—Exploring patterns, adding by counting on, taking away, counting to 20.

Expressive Arts & Design

Role play- Garden centre / cafe
Butterfly paintings-symmetry
Paint draw and write to record observations.
Observational drawings.
Spotty spiders
Weaving webs
Make caterpillars
Matisse -snail pictures
Mini beasts out of salt dough
Butterfly pictures
Designing and making minibeasts

Understanding the World

Life cycles.-caterpillars/frogs/chicks
Making jelly put in currants. Make models of tadpoles and frogs
The four seasons- talk about the differences in the seasons.

Zoo lab

Forest School

Wildlife walk- look for signs of minibeasts. Paint draw and write to record observations. Looking for mini beasts Making nests.
Minibeast hut and collect and put back carefully.
Looking at frogspawn in the pond- record what we see.
Swamp
Healthy eating-5 a day
Planting
Baking eg ladybird biscuits
Bee bots