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Teaching Ideas

Dear Parents,

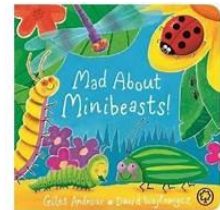
Here are some ideas to help support home learning this week.

We hope you are well and keeping safe

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Activity 1 - Reading

- The text this week is *Mad about Minibeast* by Giles Andreae; there are versions of this story available to watch on YouTube.
- Talk about the content of the book and ask questions, eg. What is your favourite insect?
- <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> has free resources available; I recommend the Buried Treasure game (phase 2 sounds) and the flashcards.



Activity 2 - Writing

- Draw and label your own insects
- Don't forget to write your name on your work
- Practise letter formation
- Long Ladder Letters: Start at the top and go down and then off in another direction, e.g. i, j, l, t, u
- Bouncing Ball Letters: Start at the top, and go down and retrace upwards, e.g. b, h, k, m, n, p, r
- Curly Caterpillar Letters: Start at the top and go anticlockwise round, e.g. c, a, d, e, g, o, q, f, s
- Zigzag letters: Zigzag from top then down, e.g. v, w, x, z

Activity 3 - Understanding the World

- Go on a bug hunt
- Look under logs and flowerpots to find some of the minibeasts in the story

Activity 4 - Physical Development

- Use paint brushes and water to write outside.
- Have a teddy bears picnic and make sandwiches to take with you.

Activity 5 - Mathematics

- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/> have some excellent interactive games; try Caterpillar ordering, coconut ordering and Ladybird counting
- Practise number writing.