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We have had such a busy fortnight where we have continued our learning about mini-beasts. The children have thoroughly enjoyed finding out about different mini-beasts such as slugs, spiders, ladybirds, caterpillars, worms and woodlice. Ask your child if they can wow you with an amazing fact!

- "Spiders can have up to 9 eyes." Zack
- "Caterpillars turn into a butterfly." Jessie
- "Ladybirds have wings under their shell." Noah

The children have also been bug detectives where they have been finding mini-beasts in the soil and came across actual worms, to which they were in awe of and were very caring. They also went into a bug den and found bugs using torches and they explored them further by using a magnifying glass.







The children have been applying their mini-beast knowledge to write a simple sentence about a mini-beast of their choice. In doing this they are practising their cursive handwriting, transferring their phonic knowledge to spell unfamiliar words along with remembering to include a capital letter and a full stop. Excellent writing Reception!

During our Maths lessons we have been exploring 3D shapes, through songs, building towers and creating pictures using 2d shapes. The children can identify some regular 3d shapes such as cube, cone, sphere and cylinder. Some children were able to make associations with everyday objects such as:

- "A cone is like a party hat." Vivien
- "A sphere is like a ball." Aiden
- "A cube has 6 faces." Milo

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Please support your children further by encouraging them to find other everyday 3d objects around your house.

Also the children have been busy dazzling us with their Maths Passport knowledge, it is amazing to see lots of children moving onto new passports – keep up the great learning!

Thank you for understanding about why we needed to postpone our visit to Robinswood Hill on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March. We will be rearranging this trip for Term 5.

After the Easter holidays we will be finding out about our new and exciting theme "Waves, Wings and Wheels."

Have a wonderful Easter break spending time with each other.