

Year Two: Summer 2 Term 2022

Southill Primary School

Wriggle and Crawl

Grab your coat and pooter - we're going out and about on a minibeast hunt. Sweep your nets in ponds and lift up logs to see who's home. Then set up a minibeast laboratory and observe their every move. Add notes and labels and ask research questions, just like a real entomologist. Learn about bees and worms and butterflies too. Can you make a food chain to show who eats who? Carry out investigations to find out more, like how far a snail travels in a day and how a spider catches its prey. Then animate to show how your favourite bug transforms from one form to another, perhaps a caterpillar to a butterfly or a maggot to a fly. On your belly, legs at the ready, it's time to wriggle and crawl.

As **mathematicians**, we will be learning to estimate, measure, compare and order mass, temperature and volume/capacity. We will end the term by further developing our problem solving skills.

As **writers**, we will be learning about the structure and language features of recounts and their purpose. We will learn a new model text, 'Bye Bye Big Bad Wolf' and use this to innovate our own recounts before writing an independent recount for our 'hot task'. We will also be doing lots of cross-curricular writing, showing that we can transfer our wonderful writing skills from Talk for Writing to other areas of the curriculum.

As **readers**, our class novel will be 'Mr Penguin and The Lost Treasure' by Alex T. Smith. Get ready to join Mr Penguin and his trusty sidekick Colin the spider as they embark on an adventure to find the treasure hidden within Museum of Extraordinary Objects!



As **scientists**, we will learn about minibeasts. We will go on local minibeast hunts, making observations, asking questions and trying to find answers to these questions. We will also look at life cycle diagrams and food chains for many of these creatures. We will use our **geography** skills to map the location of different habitats and minibeasts.

As **artists** we will make detailed sketches of minibeasts. We will use our **art and design** skills to make models of the life cycles of our favourite minibeasts and use our **computing** skills to animate our models.

Our **PSHE and Relationships** lessons will focus on 'Changing Me' - thinking about things that change around us and how humans change as they grow, learning about changes we can and cannot control as well as things we're looking forward to.