

**Class:** Willow Class

**Term:** Summer 1<sup>st</sup> half 2025



**BRABIN'S ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Topic – Come outside!**

April - May 2025

**Getting Started**

**Mini beasts topic – linked to children’s interests**

**Author study - Yuval Zommer The big book of bugs (non-fiction text/ Eric Carle – Fiction)**

Introduce our topic through having our very own caterpillars and watch grow and develop into butterflies.

We will focus on each stage of the life cycle of a butterfly, using power points, information books and key vocabulary.

On our Minibeast hunt we will look for different habitats where we might find mini beasts and discuss how we could look after the habitats in our school grounds. The children will use magnifying glasses and collections pots and record what they have seen.

<b>Culture Capital</b>	<b>Visits</b>	<b>Visitors</b>	<b>Experiences</b>	<b>Events</b>
Minibeast hunt - <b>British value and citizenship</b> – Feelings  <i>Celebrations that we take part in.</i>  <i>St George’s Day 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025</i>		Visit by Police 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	<p><b><u>Mini beast’s topic</u></b></p> The children will complete observational drawings of a mini beast they see in our school grounds and add plenty of detail using a pencil.  The children will choose a mini beast they would like to recreate using clay.  Take part in planting activities.	Weekly Forest school sessions with Pre-school Wednesday afternoons  Swimming lessons April – July 2025 Monday afternoons.  Welcome Wednesdays April – July 2025

**Characteristics of Learning**

<b>Playing and exploring - engagement</b>	<b>Active learning - motivation</b>	<b>Creating and thinking critically - thinking</b>
Playing with what they know.  Exploring.	Enjoying achieving what they set out to do.  Keep trying.	Having their own ideas.



## Discrete Subjects – Summer 1<sup>st</sup> half term 2025

### Technology

Sound - Record sounds and speech using a microphone or a recording device such as talking tins and I pads.

Text and multimedia - Begin to use a keyboard and develop familiarity with letters, numbers, backspace (to delete), arrow keys and space bar. Develop mouse control through simple activities on-screen including click-and-drag, drag-and-drop.



### RE – Miss Whitehead

#### Special times unit

The children will talk about special times in their own lives. They will learn about special times in world faiths such as Pentecost (Christianity), Eid (Islam), Rosh Hashanah (Judaism) and Holi (Hinduism).



### PE with Miss Whitehead

Fundamental skills focused unit  
Running, jumping, throwing, hopping and catching.



### PSHE

- Feelings in different situations.
- Gifts – how do we feel – giving and receiving them
- When do we give gifts and for what reasons.



## Literacy

- Nonfiction text – minibeasts - **Yuval Zommer**
- Diary of our caterpillars.
- Who am I – questions
- Nonfiction fact file about a minibeast.
- Poetry basket - A little seed.
- Minibeasts – how they move, what do they look like?
- Growing - **Eric Carle**

## Mathematics

- Counting beyond 20.
- Composition of numbers.
  - Recap doubling.
    - Time

## Physical development

- Finger gym challenges.
- Making spider webs.
- Minibeast houses
- Letter formation.
- Yoga sessions.

## PSED

- How to look after minibeasts in our environment.
- Habitats – how to look after their habitats.
  - Affirmation cards.
- Feelings -different situations.

## Understanding the world .

- Technology– using ipads to learn how to take photos/videos of minibeasts/encourage children to describe what they can see.
- Minibeast hunt – where do they live/look like.
  - Life cycle of butterflies.
  - Habitats – observations.
  - Facts about minibeasts.

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## Communication and Language

- Develop vocabulary - poetry.
- Guided reading sessions – high level vocabulary.
- Key questions linked to non-fiction books.
- A range of fiction/non fiction texts.

## Expressive Arts and Design

- Clay minibeasts.
- Sketching minibeasts – observational drawings
  - Collage.
- Symmetry - making butterflies.

## Educational Programmes