



English

We will be reading *Beetle Boy* by M. G. Leonard



In our writing we will be learning to:

Develop characters in suspense narratives Plan and write a persuasive advert Write a non-chronological report about minibeasts

Maths

We will be continuing our learning about fractions, including adding and subtracting fractions. Following fractions, we will begin to learn about numbers to two decimal places.

Spelling

We will be working on homophones, reviewing the spellings from throughout Year 5 and learning strategies at the point of writing: using etymological/ morphological strategies for spelling Ei or ie.

Music

In Year 5 we will learning to use music technology as a compositional tool. We will be using Garage Band to explore loops and to layer musical ideas.

RE

We are learning to understand the Hindu belief that there is one God with many different aspects.



Term 5

Beast Creator

A bug, a creepy-crawly, a beast. He'll tickle your skin then go in for the sting. Arachnids, insects, molluscs and myriapods, hiding in nooks and beneath darkened rocks. Come search for these minibeasts, and let's sort them out. How many legs? How many wings? Who does it eat and who eats it? Can you classify it? Can you draw it or make it? Build a bug hotel or a wonderful wormery, then watch them wriggle and burrow, mixing earth as they go. Discover where in the world you'll find the deadliest beasts. Perhaps the Vespa mandarinia japonica is the one that you fear? Why not become a beast creator? Selectively breed a killer predator that saves the world from the super strong aphid. You'll be a hero. 'There was an old lady who swallowed a fly. I don't know why she swallowed a fly. Perhaps she'll die?'

Design & Technology

We will design and make a bug hotel, by selecting from and using a wider range of materials and components, including construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities.

Geography

We will use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area when carrying out a mini-beast hunt.

Science

We will gather and record data and results when classifying mini-beasts, selecting from a range of methods to present our findings (scientific diagrams, labels, classification keys, tables, graphs and models).

PHSE

We will be learning about rights and responsibilities, with a particular focus on money and financial responsibilities of individuals or groups (such as councils).

PE

Through the sport of hockey, children will develop their fundamental movement skills. They will learn to accept that mistakes or setbacks may happen in a game and see them as a chance to improve.

French

We will be learning about classroom items, using our knowledge of "j'ai/je n'ai pas" to say what we have and don't have.

Computing

We will use physical computing to explore the concept of selection in programming through the use of the Crumble programming environment.

Art

Inspired by the work of Alexander Calder, using wire and colour, the children will create an abstract insect sculpture.