

Dear Parents, Carers and Acacia Nursery School Children,

I trust that you are all well. You should have all now had a phone call from your child's keyworker to discuss your child's progress and to allow your child to also have a chat with their keyworker. If you have not yet had a phone conversation, please do get in touch.

Jaydah sent me a beautiful rainbow painting to remind us all to stay at home and protect the NHS. I hope everyone is continuing to follow the government guidelines and that all children are regularly washing their hands and being reminded about social distancing and how to stay safe.



I hope you are all managing ok with home learning and have been able to access the resources and work that I have been adding to the website. Each week there will be daily maths and literacy work, some Understanding The World activity ideas, some art ideas and some phonics work relating to the sound of the week. There are some phonics resources and also a link to some daily online lessons. It is important that your child continues their phonics work while they are at home so that they don't forget what they have already learnt and so they continue to make excellent progress. Please do get in touch if you are struggling at all.

I have really enjoyed receiving emails from you this week with photos of your children's work and information about what you have been getting up to. I am very impressed with all the learning that is happening, and I have included some of the photos on the next page as I'm sure all the children would love to see what their friends have been doing. Please continue to share with me what your children have been doing.

I will continue to keep you updated regarding the COVID-19 situation and hopefully life will start to become a bit more normal soon.

## Phonics websites

Phonics links to help support home learning:

Even if your child is familiar with most of phase 2 it may be helpful for them to go back over all the sounds. Work through systematically, starting with set 1. Move through the sounds slowly and don't move on to the next sound until your child is ready.

Phase 2 :

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2yf4j>

Phase 2 tricky words:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2yf4j/articles/zdrd8xs>

Once your child is secure in phase 2 then you could start to expose them to some of the elements of phase 3. Please don't move on to phase 3 until your child is confident with all aspects of phase 2.

Phase 3:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvq9bdm>

## Websites to Support with Minibeast Topic

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCI\\_BIMJR-XHf42hIrpYkyyYfJv9W58ju](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCI_BIMJR-XHf42hIrpYkyyYfJv9W58ju)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv/articles/z9fkwmn>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/listen-and-play-minibeasts/zhh6jhw>

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/downhill-demesne-and-hezlett-house/features/marvellous-mini-beasts>

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/04/minibeast-hunt/>

## Websites to Support Maths

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=16&AgeGroup=1>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8>

**Writing and Mark Making**

Ants like to eat food and sweep seeds and the queen lays eggs in her nest and grows when the queen dies all the ants die. Ants do not sleep the workers work day and night. The workers clean the nest and feed the soldier ants.

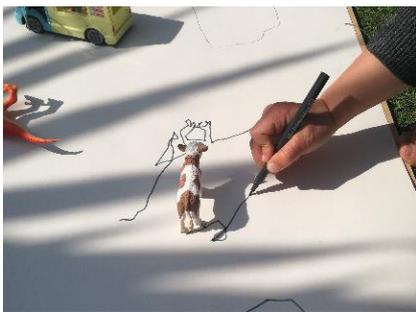


One day, the caterpillar ate all the leaves. The farmer came and he was saying "you have legs for working". He said "you are tired". The caterpillar had a dream and when he woke he did have wings.

A ladybird can have up to 20 spots, however there are different types of ladybirds. Some ladybirds have 2 spots. Most ladybirds seen today have 6 spots.

**Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design**

Exploring shadows:



Cooking:

