



What we have enjoyed this week ...



This week, the super scientists have been finding out about minibeasts. They have enjoyed stories about minibeasts and spent time searching for minibeasts in the outdoor area.



We have had some new arrivals to our classroom this week. Cedric and Cecil, the Indian stick insects, and their stick insect cousins have come to stay. The children enjoyed observing and handling the stick insects. The children did a fantastic job of drawing the stick insects. They noticed that the stick insects have six legs and then discovered that all insects have six legs. The children have subsequently enjoyed counting the legs on other creatures, which they have found, to establish if they are 'true' insects!



After observing snails from Mrs Hope's garden, the children were able to compare the snails with the stick insects. There were some great descriptions and observations.



The children have enjoyed listening to a range of non-fiction books and stories about minibeasts over the course of the week. They particularly enjoyed listening to the book 'Mad about Minibeasts' by Giles Andrae.



During Mega Mathematics, we have been thinking about pattern. After revisiting repeating patterns from earlier in the year, the children all used their super observation skills to look carefully at different butterfly wings. They noticed that the wings were the same on both sides and learnt that this type of pattern is called symmetry. The children then set to work creating their own symmetrical butterfly wings using paint. The butterflies all look amazing, well done everyone!



Come and See Session



We are hoping to hold the 'Come and See' session to celebrate our *Super Scientists* theme on Thursday 25th May at 1.30pm. Please sign in at the main entrance on arrival at school. The children will present some of the topics and activities that they have enjoyed this term and there will be an opportunity to engage in a range of *Super Scientist* activities with your child. Please do not worry if you cannot attend due to other commitments. We always ensure that all children have the opportunity to work with an adult.



Homework

For homework, I would like the children to use their super observation skills to conduct their own minibeast hunt. They can record their findings in their Learning Diary. I look forward to hearing about what everyone has found under rocks and at the bottom of gardens!

I would also like the children to practise their lines, ready for Class Reception Worship next Friday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hope

