

### Theme: Life cycles

Children will learn about life cycles and habitats. Children will be introduced to key features and characteristics and develop their vocabulary to compare similarities and differences.

#### Words to learn this half term:

Leaves, rock, log, grass, flowers, spiderling, spider, ladybird, worm, wood lice, damp, dark, summer, sun, hot, warm, egg, duckling, duck, hatch, pond

We will be using all of our senses to explore some exciting activities such as: cooking, planting, drama, and arts and crafts

#### Visits

This half term we will be having a visit from our school care taker who will be helping the nursery children to create an outdoor bug hotel!

#### Maths

This half term we will be continuing to look at the language used to describe shapes. We are going to be making lots of models such as bug hunting devices, binoculars and spiders using junk modelling materials. We will be discussing what shapes we need and what would work best as we create!

We will be continuing to practise counting to 10 and identifying one more/ one less than a number to 5. We will also be comparing amounts and identifying which has more or fewer objects.

**Please use the words** - round, straight, edges, corners, tall, short, curved, pointy, square, triangle, rectangle, circle, cylinders, spheres, cubes, cuboid, in, out, in front, behind, under, and on.

#### Stories

During the half term many of the activities and learning experiences offered will be focussed around some of the following stories:

Arghhhh, Spider!

Walter's Web

Daisy and the Egg

Twist and hop Minibeast Hop

Oi Frog

#### Useful Apps and Websites

CBeebies Learners  
Little App



Yakka Dee on  
CBeebies Iplayer



### Songs and Rhymes



#### Please remember:

- To bring your book bag every day.
- To write your child's name inside all of their uniform.
- Reading books will be changed on Thursdays so book bags will be kept on Thursday evenings to put the new book and homework in, ready for the weekend.
- To support your child to become independent by taking their coat on/off themselves, zipping and unzipping their coat independently and using a knife and fork at home.
- Have a look at our school website for the school holiday list and other useful information: [www.cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk](http://www.cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk)
- Homework will be given on a Friday and will need to be returned by the following Thursday.
- PE is now on a Monday and Friday. Please make sure your child comes to school in black/grey leggings/tracksuit bottoms and trainers. **Earrings must be removed.**
- We are a nut free school. If your child has a packed lunch please do not send them with Nutella sandwiches or anything that may contain nuts.