

Communication & Language :

- Minibeast Investigation Lab
- Minibeast Puppets/Props to retell stories
- Follow minibeast patterns: spirals, stripes, wiggly lines
- Show and Tell
- Listening Games
- Sharing stories
- Questions: Who? What? When? Where? How?

Expressive Arts and Design:

- Making minibeasts using craft materials and tools
- Make spider’s webs
- Observational drawings of minibeasts
- Butterfly Symmetry
- Create bug sounds with musical instruments
- Junk model minibeasts
- Water colour paintings of minibeasts
- Listen to nature bug sounds

Understanding the World:

- Minibeast Hunt
- Spider’s Web Walk
- Observation of minibeasts
- Life Cycles
- Small World: minibeast trays
- Computing—drawing software

Physical Development:

- Dance to the Ugly Bug Ball/The Flight of the Bumble-bee.
- Move like a minibeast
- Over and under team games: moving like a worm/ caterpillar.
- Threading
- Scissor skills—cutting minibeast patterns
- Pencil grip and Letter Formation

Reception

Autumn Term 1

All About Me!

Literacy:

- Songs and Rhymes
- Fiction and Non-Fiction Books
- Sentence Writing
- Speech Bubbles
- High Frequency Words
- Floppy’s Phonics
- Minibeast Story Bags

Personal Social &

Emotional Development:

- Revise Class Charter
- Jigsaw: Relationships
- Sharing and turn taking
- Staying safe
- Caring for living creatures and their habitat

Mathematics:

- Month of the Year
- Birthdays
- Days of the Week

White Rose Maths

Phase 1:Just Like Me!

- Matching and Sorting
- Comparing size, mass, amounts, capacity
- Exploring patterns

Phase 2: It’s Me 1, 2, 3

- Representing 1,2,3
- Composition of 1,2,3
- Comparing 1,2,3
- Circles and triangles
- Positional Language