



Learning Activities- suggested daily ideas

Week beginning 15th June 2020



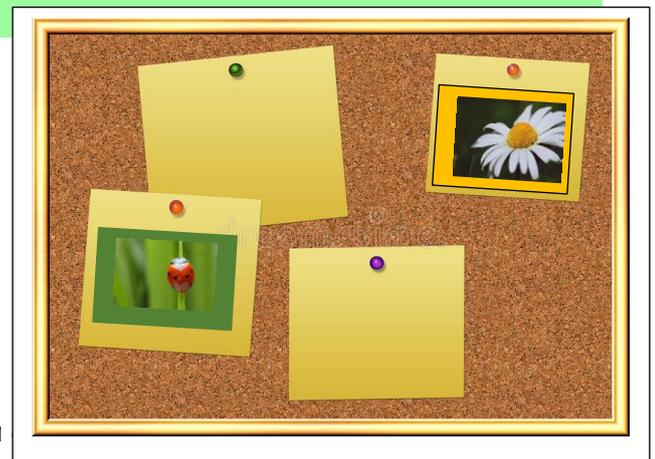
This weeks' planning has been inspired by BBC 2's 'Spring watch', which many of the staff have enjoyed watching in the evenings during the past few weeks. This year, being slightly different, the presenters have explored the natural world on their own doorsteps. Celebrating all that Spring and early Summer has to offer, we have enjoyed watching them hunt for beautiful flowers, observing birds building their nests and watching as busy bees goes about their days - whilst learning how we can help them.

Now it's your turn - step outside your front door and let's see what you can find! Please send in your child's favourite photographs for us to upload onto our 'The beauty in Nature' pin board!

Monday

Nature

Begin your Spring Watch week ahead but exploring your local area and hunting for some of the examples on the spotter sheet attached to our planning. Perhaps you could visit somewhere that you haven't visited for a while, turn left instead of right or walk a little further than you normally do - It is amazing what you can discover when you

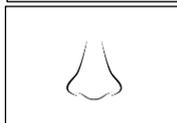


Print the spotter sheet out (on final page) for children to tick off each time they spot something, or take a photograph of it on your telephone so that you can remind yourselves of what you are looking out for. Model the vocabulary of what you can see to your children and encourage them to use their senses to explore and find out more about the environment and all that is in it;

What can you see?



What can you smell?



What can you hear?



What can you feel?



(Remember to wash your hands)

Minibeast Spotting

Keep your eyes open!

Which minibeasts have you seen? (tick the circles)

 ladybird <input type="checkbox"/>	 butterfly <input type="checkbox"/>	 spider <input type="checkbox"/>	 beetle <input type="checkbox"/>
 ant <input type="checkbox"/>	 fly <input type="checkbox"/>	 worm <input type="checkbox"/>	 wasp <input type="checkbox"/>

Tuesday

Expressive Arts and Design

Today it's time to get creative and to share your beautiful sights with others. Go out on another walk or explore your garden - this time remember to take your camera/ telephone or a piece of paper and a pen. Encourage children to hunt for something beautiful or particularly interesting to them and capture it in a photograph or on paper. Vanessa and Kirsty did just that in their gardens - look what they saw.....



Please send images of your children's photographs or drawings to office@evesham-nur.worcs.sch.uk and Lora will put them into a pin board folder on our website for all to see!

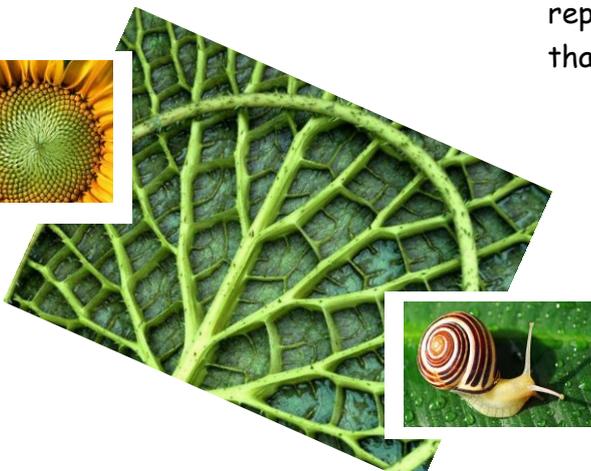
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Mathematics - pattern making

The children who are currently attending Nursery have also been inspired by nature this week and have found some wonderful things in the meadow and the woods. One 'bubble' of children have found lots of snails and have investigated the spiral patterns on their shells which were different colours and different sizes. The similarities and differences stimulated lots of conversations as the children compared them and inspired the children to have a go at making their own spiral patterns. Help your child to create different sized spirals - we used glitter and PVA glue - what can you use?



The second bubble were also keen to explore pattern making - this week, this time upon 3D surfaces. The children discovered and collected lots of stones and explored and compared their sizes. They then decided to paint their stones and used metallic paints to create patterns upon them, Perhaps, you could find a 3D surface to paint and could embellish it with spots, stripes and curved shapes. Maybe you could create repeating or symmetrical patterns upon your surface - skills that we have learnt in our home learning in previous weeks.



Thursday



Physical Development

Inspired by nature this week, what a better way to explore your natural surroundings in combination with developing fine motor skills, than by enjoying an open air picnic. Support your children's fine motor skills by encouraging their use of pincer grip by (especially in preparation for going to school):

- Practicing opening the lid of a yogurt
- Unwrapping a snack bar
- Peeling an orange and banana
- Opening a packet of crisps
- Unwrapping sandwiches from foil or cling film



For those going to big school in September, also practise eating a small but whole piece of fruit - just like they do at snack time in many First and Primary Schools.

Friday



Literacy - writing for a purpose

Make a 'natural' card for someone special in celebration of Father's Day.

Collect a range of natural resources to create a card of and for someone special. Arrange your collection of resources to create the face of the person whom the card is for - stick them onto paper or photograph them and print out the image.

Practise writing your name inside your card and ask an adult to help you to write who the card is to.



Spotter Sheet



