

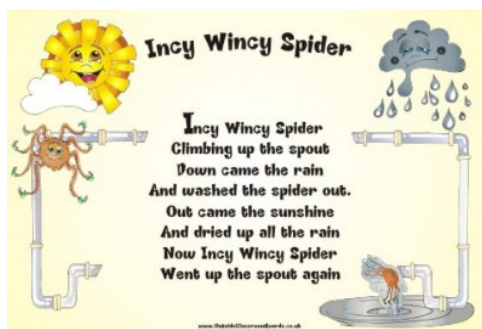


WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Pre Nursery

Week beginning Monday 20 April

Messages

- Don't forget to come along and join in the celebrations this Saturday at the BISS Garden Party. Everyone in the family is invited to join in the fun, wearing their hats of course.
- **Join us for our EYC Sports Day**
9:00-11:00 Monday 27 April Primary School Playground and Field
All children will take part in each activity which is part of a short circuit, including rest stops. The activities will involve fine and gross motor skills, not to mention working as a team. Activities are designed to help the pupils have fun whilst doing exercise.
- Our outdoor area is really coming alive as all the plants, vegetables and flowers grow and flourish. We are now spending more time outdoors, tending to the plants, and enjoying the outdoor provision, so do remember to send in a sunhat and sun-cream so your child will be protected from the sun.



Learning Theme – Mini-beasts: Spiders

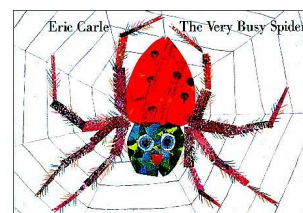
After a busy week learning about ladybirds, finding out what they like to eat, counting their spots, and making ladybird homes, we will continue our mini-beast theme, this time with a focus on spiders. We love to search outdoors for different creatures, and hopefully we may find some of the more elusive mini-beasts as the weather warms up.

This week the whole school will also be participating with schools across the UK in an initiative called “**10 Pieces of Music**”. Each year group will focus on a different piece of classical music, and in Pre Nursery we will be listening to a piece by **Mozart: Horn Concerto No 4** which features the French Horn.

Literacy

We will read the book *The Very Busy Spider* by Eric Carle. One morning a little spider begins to spin her web on a fencepost. It grows from a simple line into a complex and beautiful creation. As we read the story we will encourage the children to join in with the repeated phrases and predict what the spider will do.

We shall learn to sing the song *Incy Wincy Spider*, and perform the hand actions to the song.



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We will play a fun circle game where we roll a ball of wool to each other and in doing so form a large web of friendship. This requires lots of cooperation and concentration so we will be trying hard to listen carefully and sit still while we make the web.

Expressive Arts and Design

'10 Pieces of Music" will act as a musical stimulus in this week's activities. We will listen to Mozart's Concerto No 4 and use this music as a basis for our movement sessions. We will watch spiders moving, and use our bodies to copy this movement. Sometimes the music is slow, and sometimes it is fast...can we change the way we move to match the music?

We will also be doing lots of crafty activities throughout the week: making spider masks, weaving spider webs, printing, painting and collage.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Many thanks again.

The Pre Nursery Team.