# **Mini-beasts**

w/c 15th April 2024

#### Book of the week

We are focusing on 'Aaaarrgghh, Spider!'
Through this book we will be introducing
the children to 'Talk 4 writing'. This will
include learning the story / text off by heart.
Teach the children how to retell the story by



using a story map and talking in depth about settings, images and characters.

Word of the week: sequencing

Here a song linked to this week: https://youtu.be/w ICi8U49mY

## Spelling bee

Words for the week: they, with



On Friday the children will be recording these two words independently in their book. Please work on these words at home using the correct letter formation.

#### Maths

This week we will be learning about 3D shapes. The children are going to name some of the more common 3D shapes and look at their attributes. They will also be encouraged to think of what the shapes could be useful for, and why things around them are of a particular shape.

#### Vocabulary used

Round, ball, sphere, cube, cuboid, pyramid, cylinder, curve



#### Phonics - Digraphs

The children have started to learn digraphs where two letters are joined together to make one sound. Last week they were taught 'ng', 'ch', 'sh' and 'th'. This week we are learning the digraphs below which are 'ai', 'ee', 'igh' and 'oa'. We will be linking these new digraphs to sounds within words and objects, spelling simple words containing these digraphs and forming letters correctly. At school we will continue to meet new characters, which are shown below through songs and stories.

We will also continue writing simple sentences focusing on the simple punctuation capital letters, finger spaces (between words) and full stops during our phonics lessons.

Please support your child's letter formation by using Phonics Shed to make sure that they are forming letters correctly.

Many Thanks!

#### New digraph characters

Here are the new characters we will meet this week.

A link is attached to show you a short clip from Phonics Shed to ensure the correct pronunciation and action is carried out.



#### **Gail the Snail**

Phonics Shed - Guidance Video - ai Gail the Snail -YouTube

sn<u>ai</u>l



#### Dee the Sheep

https://www.phonicsshed.com/engb/resource/phonics-shed--guidance-video---ee-en-gb

d<u>ee</u>p



## Bright the light

youtube phonics shed igh - Google Search

f<u>igh</u>t



## **Boaty the Toad**

youtube phonics shed oa - Google Search

t<u>oa</u>st

# **Tricky words**

We will be learning some new tricky words this term which contain the digraphs we are focusing on. The tricky words this week are below. These will come home as a bingo card at the end of the week for you to use at home.

he she we
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be	me	my	

## Forest school (Monday)

This week in Forest school we will be focusing on making spiders using mud and natural resources such as sticks and twigs. These will then be hung on our amazing spiders web which would be made between the trees. These activities will be carried out in small groups developing the children's turn taking and sharing.

## PE

This week we will continue to develop our object control by bouncing a ball of different sizes independently, with a partner or small group.

We will carry develop these through a rotation of activities including target games and partner work.

## **Maths Open Week**

Don't forget it's our 'Maths Open Week'. We look forward to seeing you if you have signed up. The Maths lessons will start at 8.50am and will take place from Tuesday to Friday.

