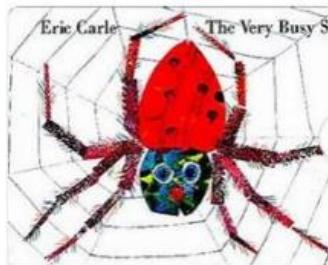


We are starting our spring topic on Minibeasts, spring and growth this term, the first week will look at spiders, counting, art work and retelling a story.

Here are some activities which you may want to try at home.

Literacy



Watch the story The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle. It is a lovely book, by the author of The Very Hungry Caterpillar, all about a spider who is busy spinning their web.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfL0g-XRxnA>

Talk about the story sequence, retell main parts and think about characters and setting.

You can also look up facts about spiders using the internet or information books.

Creative Development

After finding out the spider facts/ reading the story book, why not can have a go at drawing or painting their own spider? Or perhaps you can have a go making a spider



hand print. To paint a handprint spider - Let the children paint their hands black (not the thumb) and overlap two handprints to create a not-so scary spider. Add googly eyes if you have them!

Mark making,

We will use chalks, paints, flour, glue and anything we can find to make spider webs.

Why not chalk a web outside?

Also you can look around in the environment, can you see any spiders webs? Look at and talk about the amazing patterns.



Counting

We will use pegs to attach to a card spider body.

The children will be encouraged to count out the correct number of pegs, and squeezing pegs is great for fine motor strengthening too!

Nursery rhyme.

Learning Nursery rhymes helps children become great readers in the future.

This week practice incy wincy spider.

Have a good week

Mrs Newell and all at Nursery