

# Broughton Community Schools EARLY YEARS NEWSLETTER

Summer 1 Newsletter



## UPDATES:

We will be looking at preparing our garden area to encourage different minibeasts and by the end of the topic to create our own minibeast habitats. If you have any plants/ seeds to donate for the children to plant we would really appreciate it.

This half term our topic is called: **Creep, Crawl and Wriggle**. We will be reading a different text each week focusing on minibeasts and their habitats. We will be learning about invertebrates that live in gardens and the local environment. The value we are looking at this half term is **Friendship**

### Literacy

This half term we will be looking at books about minibeasts, we will be reading one called *Yucky Worms* and talking about how they help us. We will be developing the children's sentences and looking at how to write down the facts that we have learnt.

After Easter we will be slowly starting to get the children ready for Year 1. One of the ways we will do this is allowing the children to come into school in their PE kits on their PE day. Please wear PE kit on **Tuesday**. The PE kit remains the same and the children will wear this all day.

PE Kit –

White T-shirt/House coloured t-shirt

Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and dark top or school PE hoodie.

Trainers

### Jigsaw-

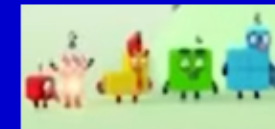
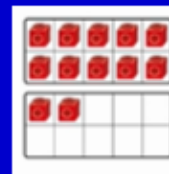
Our focus this half term is **Relationships**. We will be looking at how to make friends, how we should treat friends, what to do if there is any sort of conflict and also how to be the best friend we can.

### Reading

Your child has now finished phase 3 phonics. When reading at home please support your child in re-reading their sentences back fluently. The children have read the books that are sent home with their teachers and at home is the opportunity to practise fluency. If they have read the book fluently and confidently you could look for words in other books, write the words down on pieces of paper for them to find around the house, and practice spelling and writing them. Please can you continue to read your school reading books **5 times a week at home**.

### Maths

This half term we will start by continuing being confident with our counting forwards and backward confidently beyond 20. We will also be looking at the cardinal value of numbers- this is recognising an amount. We will also be exploring numerical patterns, this includes: doubling, halving and sharing, odd and even numbers. New games have been added to the Power Maths home learning page.



## OVERVIEW:

This half term our topic is called: **Creep Crawl and Wriggle**. We will be learning all about the different minibeasts that live in our gardens. We will be learning about invertebrates and how important minibeasts are to our environment.

## Using Keyboards

If you have a laptop or computer (electronic device) at home, please can you explore the keyboard. Can they see the letters of their name or any familiar letters? Can they practice typing and pressing the backspace key?

## Books you could explore in your local library:



## Creep, Crawl and Wriggle

## Get planting

Plant something at home and watch it grow. What types of bugs would your plant encourage into your garden?

Watch what happens with your grown up and talk about the changes you can see. Why do we need flowers/ trees and plants?

## Can you eat a rainbow?

Could you help your grown up at home when cooking the dinner? Can you practise chopping, grating the food safely? How many different coloured vegetables can you try?

Can you make a fruit kebab?

Where did the fruit come from originally?

## Bug Hunt

You could go in a bug hunt and find lots of different bugs outside. Can you draw and write about what you find?

What can you find and what does it look like? How many legs does it have? How does it move if it doesn't have legs? Where does it like to live?

## Websites you could explore:

Visit the CBeebies website- there are tabs that explore minibeasts