

## Reading

As always, please continue to read with your child, as well as practising their sounds.

You have probably now read the extra reading books that were sent home but please continue to share any story books, looking for sounds or words that they know, discussing the pictures, predicting what might happen next or even creating your own alternative ending.

Some books we would be sharing at school over the first 2 weeks of term would be Aarrgh Spider!, The Very Busy Spider and Superworm, along with non-fiction books about minibeasts.

Don't worry if you don't have these at home, you can easily find them being read aloud on YouTube.

## FOUNDATION STAGE HOME LEARNING

**From 20<sup>th</sup> April – 1<sup>st</sup> May**

**Here are some suggested activities for you to complete over the next two weeks. Please feel free to carry on with any of the suggestions from last time that are still relevant, such as Phonics Play, Numberblocks etc.**

**As you may be accessing the internet more often than usual at this time, we would like you to visit the E-Safety page of the school website <http://www.stgilberts.co.uk/E-Safety.asp>. There is lots of information there to help you to stay safe online.**

**If you are able to share some of your work with us, we would love to see it. Parents or carers can upload to Tapestry or email it to [homelearning@stgilberts.co.uk](mailto:homelearning@stgilberts.co.uk) .**

**Foundation Stage Teachers and TAs**

## Maths

White Rose Maths are uploading a Maths lesson for each day of the week. Weeks 1 and 2 were uploaded before the Easter holidays but feel free to work on any week.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/early-years/>

Investigate making patterns with your child. These could be patterns using your whole body that you can demonstrate for your child to copy eg tap your knees, clap, tap your knees, clap etc. Try to include 2 or 3 items to repeat. Then get your child to be the leader.

Word or sound patterns can be chanted together, e.g. using opposites yes, no, up, down, in, out etc.

You can also practise sounds learnt in Phonics and reinforce them through pattern e.g. sh, ch, th, sh, ch, th etc.

Use coloured bricks or Lego to create repeating patterns for your children to continue.

## Creative Learning

Make some playdough:

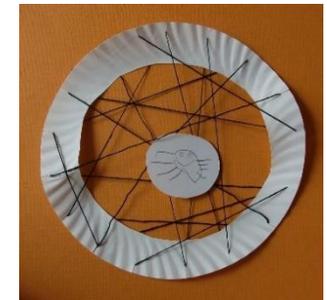
1 cup of plain flour, 1 cup of water, 1 tablespoon of cooking oil, 2 teaspoons of cream of tartar, half a cup of salt, Food colouring (optional – best to add to the water beforehand)

Mix all the ingredients together in a saucepan over a low heat until they form a playdough-like consistency!

Use your playdough to make different minibeasts. You could roll 'worms' of different lengths then compare and order them.

Or you could use a paper plate and some string or wool to create a spider web like the one in the picture.

Or even use recycling materials to make a model of your favourite minibeast.



<p><b>Phonics</b></p> <p>Please continue to practise recognising sounds and reading green and red words.</p> <p>The websites below are still full of fun learning opportunities:  <a href="http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/">www.phonicsplay.co.uk/</a>  <a href="http://www.phonicsbloom.com">www.phonicsbloom.com</a></p> <p>In addition, there is a daily RWI phonics lesson on You Tube and you can join the videos for the relevant sound set for your child:  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFlg9GdxtQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFlg9GdxtQ</a></p> <p><b>Writing</b></p> <p>Please continue to practise letter formation using the document below in Extra Resources.</p> <p>Research your favourite minibeast and create a poster or write a fact file about it. You can upload this to Tapestry and you could even email it to the <a href="mailto:homelearning@stgilberts.co.uk">homelearning@stgilberts.co.uk</a> so that it can go on our St Gilbert's Facebook page.</p>	<p><b>Topic Work</b></p> <p>Our topic for Term 5 is "Minibeasts". In some of the boxes above we have suggested activities linked to this topic. You could continue to look for signs of Spring around your garden or when you go for a walk. How many different minibeasts can you spot? The link below has lots of information and you can even download your own minibeast hunt checklist. Why not write down what you learn from observing minibeasts in their different habitats.</p> <p><a href="https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/04/minibeast-hunt/">https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/04/minibeast-hunt/</a></p> <p>Please also go to <a href="http://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer">www.twinkl.co.uk/offer</a> (enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS) where you can find lots of other minibeast related ideas and activities.</p>	<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>Please continue to explore both <b>Super Movers</b> and <b>Get Set 4 PE</b>.</p> <p>We are sure you have all heard about Joe Wicks' daily PE lesson at 9am each week day. This is lots of fun and a really good workout!</p>
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### **USEFUL WEBSITES**

<p><b>General</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary">www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.classroomsecrets.co.uk/">www.classroomsecrets.co.uk/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer">www.twinkl.co.uk/offer</a>  Enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS</p> <p><a href="http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome-back/for-home">www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome-back/for-home</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.topmarks.co.uk/">www.topmarks.co.uk/</a></p>	<p><b>Maths</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.whiterosemaths.com/homelearning">www.whiterosemaths.com/homelearning</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.coolmathgames.com/">www.coolmathgames.com/</a></p> <p><a href="http://mathsframe.co.uk/">mathsframe.co.uk/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ictgames.com/">www.ictgames.com/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.mathsisfun.com/">www.mathsisfun.com/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.urbrainy.com">www.urbrainy.com</a> - can be accessed with <b>any account, including a free trial, even if</b></p>	<p><b>Science</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/learning-activities/science/">www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/learning-activities/science/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/activity-packs/">www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/activity-packs/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/learning">www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/learning</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.stem.org.uk/primary-science">www.stem.org.uk/primary-science</a></p>
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