

Good Morning Year 3 and 4,

We hope you had a lovely weekend and enjoyed the sunshine. This week we will be continuing with another new topic. You should have received your newest homework packs in the post.

Each day we would like you to complete your MyMaths challenge, listen to our guided reading, answering the questions and have a go at our topic challenge. Please continue to use EdShed and TTRockstars to support your learning and continue to work through your homework packs.

Today there is a new TTRockstars challenge between Year 3 and Year 4. It starts this morning and ends first thing on Friday morning when we will announce the results so start playing!

This week we are going to create a museum of nature focusing on what we can see outside our door. Nature is all around us and can be the tropical rain forests of Brazil to the freezing ice caps of Antarctica. However, we also have an ecosystem right outside our front door. This week we are going to focus on learning about the animals that are all around us every day.

Today's Challenges:

1. Year 3 MyMaths – Today we are looking at Angles. Use the link to help you <https://www.loom.com/share/eeb9f0fe84e7418aa157938eb4caa4ff>  
Year 4 My Maths – Today we are looking at Fractions. Use the link to help you <https://www.loom.com/share/86f0b92c44c64fc59b204e338ca769f9>

2. Today we are looking at Mini-beasts. <https://www.loom.com/share/7311873c8a0748f282dbf7b883a22b29>

Use the link, watch the video and answer the questions and activities below

- a. Name two places where you might find a mini-beast.
- b. Why can't you see a ladybird's wings if it isn't flying?
- c. Why are bees so important?
- d. Where would you look if you were trying to find a beetle? Why are they hard to find?
- e. How are stag beetles different from earthworms? Give two ways.
- f. How do water spiders make sure they can breathe?
- g. Write a short description of what a mini-beast is giving information and examples.
- h. Writing Challenge – Write a descriptive paragraph on the stag beetle.

3. Museum of Nature – First we need to look at what is in front of us. By observing the animals we can build up a better picture of the environment. You are going to create a tally chart of all the animals you see. You could watch out your window, sit in your garden for a while or go out for a walk. Spend 15 minutes outside watching the animals that appear and make note of them and how many you see. For example, you might see 4 bees or 2 ants. Now we need to present our data:

- You could create a graph, a pictogram or bar chart showing how many of each animal you saw.
- You could draw a poster of the scene including all of the animals you saw and labelling them.
- You could write a descriptive paragraph of the scene in front of you explaining exactly what you saw.

4. Draw a plant and label it. You could look in your garden or create your own plant. Can you colour it and describe how it looks/feels/smells?

Remember to keep emailing in your amazing work, if you have any questions or if you just want to say hi. We love to hear from you and would love to share it in our newsletter.

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