

4<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Here is some work for your child to do whilst our school is closed (4<sup>th</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020.) Remember, do as much or as little home learning as you can. These are just ideas to help and to give you a focus covering the things we would have done in school. As long as you do something every day, no matter how small, it will help.

I have added new activities to Education City, Active Learn and Code.org.

This week we are completing our topic based around the children's picture book, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle by looking at minibeasts.

There are also some ideas to help remember that it is '75 years since VE Day.'

Activities to have a go at this week:

### English

- Practise reading all phase 2-5 phonemes. This week we are focusing on the split digraph phonemes – a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e, u-e. There are some activities on Education City and some real and alien words to read on the Phonics Activity Sheet Split Digraphs in the Year 1 folder on the school website. There is a useful information on phonics for parents at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/grownups/the-alphablocks-guide-to-phonics>

You might also like to watch <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jDVRFLPxhPM> for a recap of some of the phonics we have been doing.

- Find out about a minibeast or several minibeasts and create a 'What am I?' game. Fold a piece of paper in half and write your clues on the front, e.g.,

**What am I?**

I have 8 legs.

I live in a web.

I eat flies.

Unfold the paper and draw a picture and write the answer inside, e.g.,

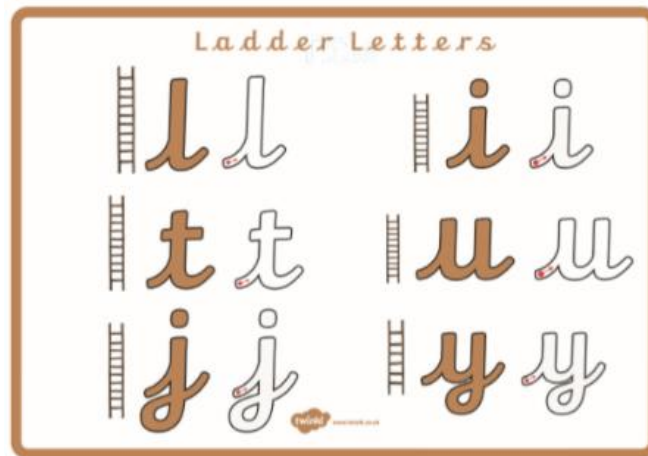


A Spider

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Play the game with your family or send your clues to me and I will see if I can guess!

- Practise forming 'ladder letters.' (There is a video on the school you tube page with some fun ways to practise handwriting at home.)



## Maths

This week in **Maths** we are **working with number to 100.**

- Practise counting forward to and back from 100.
- Play Bingo or Snakes and Ladders (printable game on Year 1 Home Learning Page.)
- Play the 'one more, one less game' on the Year 1 Home Learning page.
- Play 'The Exchange Game' (video soon to be on school youtube page.) This game helps with counting, number bonds and understanding tens and ones.
- Complete the activities on Education City.

## Other activities for this week

### Science:

- Go on a minibeast hunt in your garden or look out for minibeasts when you are out doing some exercise. Name the minibeast and take note of where you found it (see pdf minibeast hunt/minibeast dial from The Woodland Trust in Home Learning Year 1 for help.)
- Using the work sheet (or your own drawings/labels) sort minibeasts into groups using their observable features, e.g. with wings/without wings, have 6 legs/do not have 6 legs.

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### This Week's Challenge:

- Make a simple minibeast hotel. For ideas look at- <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/09/how-to-build-a-bug-hotel/>. They can be 5 star or 1 star the bugs won't mind! I have made one in my garden with an old flower pot, some logs, stones and fir cones.



- Or make a simple butterfly feeder and see who comes to visit (see pdf butterfly feeder from The Woodland Trust in Home Learning Year 1.)

### History and Geography:

- Find out about the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day (there is a power point from Twinkl in the Year Home Learning folder if you need help.)
- Make your own flag or bunting to celebrate (there is a template in the Year 1 Home Learning folder.)
- Recap the countries of The United Kingdom, their flags and how the UK flag is made up. There is a simple video at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fo6\\_XGx2oio](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fo6_XGx2oio) which might help.

Good luck, keep sending in your work to [homelearning@new-swann.leics.sch.uk](mailto:homelearning@new-swann.leics.sch.uk) if you want to see it on the Facebook page or [Year1@new-swann.leics.sch.uk](mailto:Year1@new-swann.leics.sch.uk) if you just want to show me.

If you have any questions you can email me at [Year1@new-swann.leics.sch.uk](mailto:Year1@new-swann.leics.sch.uk)

Missing you all,

*Mrs Mitchell*