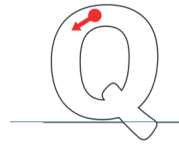


Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have been recapping the sounds **ur**, **er**, **ear**, **ar** and **air**. We have been reading words containing these sounds and writing words and captions with some of these sounds in them. We have been practising reading multi-syllable words such as **forest**, **printer**, **chimpanzee** and **handstand** and used the chunking method to help us. We have been recapping all the tricky words learnt so far and learnt the new tricky words **there**, **when**, **what** and **one**. In our handwriting sessions this week we have been practising forming the capital letters 'G' and 'Q.'



From the top, curl around to the line, carry on up then straight down.  
Lift up and across.



From the top - all around the O. Lift off. Short line diagonally down.

In Numeracy, we have been becoming more familiar with numbers beyond 10 and the pattern of numbers to 20 and beyond. We have been practising describing teen numbers as two parts and used the numicon ten and unifix cubes to build teen numbers practically. The children were asked questions such as 'How will you build the number 10/11/12/13?' 'What number have you built?' 'What do you notice about that number?'

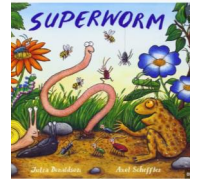


In topic work, we have been learning all about minibeasts. We have looked at their habitats and how they survive. We painted our very own minibeasts and made minibeast homes in our junk modelling area. We have challenged the children to find as many minibeasts as they can. We have been keeping a very close eye on our Reception caterpillars which are starting to get bigger.

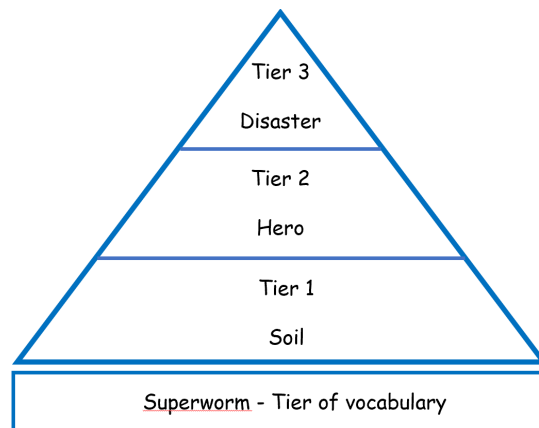
This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

**I can tell you all about my  
favourite minibeast.**

Our class reader this week is: **Superworm**



Here are some of the words that we have been exploring from our class reader this week.



Please find in your child's bag a 'Healthy Bodies and Super Sports' Enquiry Learning sheet for you to fill in with your child and return to school next week.

Thank you to RV for all of your lovely buns! The children thoroughly enjoyed selling their buns to the rest of the school. Next **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** is **RM's** Friday bake. If possible, we would like the children to bring in some buns to sell to the rest of the school. All proceeds made during the Friday bun sale are sent to our chosen school charities for this year. Please remember that we are a **no nuts** school.

If you do have any concerns or questions do not hesitate to write them in your child's home/school book and she will ensure the Reception team is informed.

Many thanks

The Reception Team