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*Coming up next week...16/05/2022*

**Advanced Warning:** The Reception children will be having a 'Bug Ball' on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. No new bug costumes need to be purchased as we will be making masks/antennae and wing etc in class during the day. Children will be allowed to come in dressed in the colours of their favourite minibeast e.g. red and black for a ladybird.

Please can we ask that children bringing in 'chillys' style water bottles, replace them with bottles that don't require the lids to be fully removed to drink out of. Sports top/straw topped bottles are best as they are lighter and easier for the children handle independently and without accidents.

### *Learning in school:*

#### **Topic: Minibeasts and Growth**

**This next half term we will be learning about the different stages of plant and animal growth. We will be finding out about a variety of minibeasts and looking at similarities and differences between them and where we find them.**

Our minibeast focus for this week will be 'the bee'. We will be learning facts about the insect and making honey. We will then re-order, read and follow instructions to make our own honey sandwiches! Please update your child's class teacher if your child has any new allergies!

### *Phonics:*

This week we will be reading and writing words with the suffixes: 'ing', 'ed' and 'est'- for example: snapping, grunted and strongest. Our new tricky words will be: out and today.

### *Maths:*

In Maths we will continue to consolidate our learning about taking away. We will be using practical resources and working on accuracy; as well as completing number calculations. Alongside this, we will also be using number lines to count forwards and backwards from different starting points.

### *Home Learning:*

For children that are self-isolating, we have resources on the school website for you to access. Visit the school website and select the Covid 19 tab then home learning or follow this link.

<https://www.mead.surrey.sch.uk/covid-19/home-learning>

### *Additional notes and reminders*

#### **Homework**

This half term, we will be focusing on writing. We will be sending home a different picture each week to stimulate writing. This will be sent home on a Tuesday. We have included a colour version of the picture below for children to have a closer look at.



Due to the SATs taking place in May, access to the library is limited. We are therefore asking for Library books to be put into your child's book bag on **Monday** and kept in there for the whole week as we may have to visit the library at an alternative time. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this.

Please can we have any small empty water bottles, with lids, for potion making next week!

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*Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.*