

Focus + Area of Curriculum e.g. Engage, Develop, Express Innovate	Objectives	Activity and lesson outline	Differentiation	Resources/ Key Questions	Next Steps/ Necessary Skills
Engage Computing	To be able to create and debug simple programs	Set out a 'map' using masking tape or hoops containing images of different minibeasts. The children must create a simple 'program' to guide a human beebot to collect the minibeast pictures. Use beebot cards to create the program first, then test and debug it. Work as a whole class initially to create and debug the program to ensure children understand the different instructions and how to 'debug' the programme. If children are secure split into two teams, Team 1 writes a program to collect a minibeast, if they are correct they can keep it, if not the opposite team can 'debug' the program and get the minibeast for themselves.	Children to work as a whole class, then in mixed ability large groups to introduce the key vocabulary etc.	Resources Hoops or masking tape to create the 'map' bee bot cards Cards with images of minibeasts (or toy minibeasts to collect) Key Questions How can you get from the start to the bee? Which direction will you need to turn in? How many steps forward? Why did our program not work? How can we 'debug' it?	
Engage Computing	To be able to create and debug simple programs	Remind the children about programming human beebots to collect minibeasts and explain that today we are going to be recording our programs. Show the children a simple map on the board and ask them to write a program to get a	SEN: give a simpler map and initially work together to create the program before recording individually LAPs: simpler map, encourage children to	Resources Beebot style maps beebot cards Key Questions How can you get from the start to the bee?	The children will continue to develop these skills in their computing lessons (see



		'beebot' or other robot to collect the minibeasts from a given start point. Model how to record the program and allow children to test it and identify any debugging they may need to do.	record program on whiteboard and test it first. MAPs/HAPs: use a slightly more complex map to challenge children (include obstacles to go around.	Which direction will you need to turn in? How many steps forward? Why did our program not work? How can we 'debug' it?	computing MTP)
Engage/ Develop Art and	Use line and tone to draw shape, pattern and texture. To be able to explore	Use sketching pencils and demonstrate to children some of the drawing techniques they can use – practise drawing lines of different thicknesses, crosshatching, shading, making dots etc with sketching pencils.	Support children as needed. Allow children to select from a few minibeasts for their first sketch	Resources images of minibeasts sketching pencils rubbers	Move on to sketch minibeasts on a larger scale
Design	the different lines and tones I can make with my pencil.	Allow children some time to practise these and discuss making areas darker by going over them again rather than pressing harder.	based on confidence levels.	Key Questions What shapes can you see? Which parts of the minibeast are darkest? Which parts	
		Look at a simple image of a minibeast and model using some of these techniques to sketch and shade the minibeast. Allow the children to experiment and attempt some simple sketches.		are lightest? How can you show the texture on the minibeast? How can you show how hairy its antenna are?	

A	ingage/ Develop art and Design	Use line and tone to draw shape, pattern and texture. Experiment with tone using pencil To be able to use line and tone to sketch a minibeast	Recap the drawing skills from the previous lesson. Look at some illustrations of minibeasts (cornerstones resource) and discuss which drawing techniques have been used for them. Use these skills to draw detailed sketches of minibeasts using pencil. Use a hand lens or digital microscope to look closely at the minibeasts and look at images too. Encourage children to draw the minibeasts larger than life to allow for detailed sketches and recap drawing lightly at first, then going over lines when they are happy with the size. Also model dividing up the page to help with the sizing first.	Children to select a minibeast to sketch based on their own levels of confidence. Support children as needed when sketching, drawing attention to details.	Resources images of minibeasts sketching pencils rubbers Key Questions What shapes can you see? Which parts of the minibeast are darkest? Which parts are lightest? How can you show the texture on the minibeast? How can you show how hairy its antenna are?	
A	ingage/ Develop art and Design	To be able to investigate colour and shade.	Recap the sketching techniques we have learned and introduce the children to oil pastels. Give them a few minutes to experiment with them, looking at how we can use similar techniques to our sketching pencils to achieve different effects with the oil pastels. move on to looking at shading with the pastels, what happens if we go back over an area? What if we use two colours? Do they mix to make a new colour? What if we add black or white?	Support children as needed when exploring the oil pastels. Use this lesson to help assess who may need more support/ a simpler minibeast in the next lesson	Resources images of minibeasts oil pastels paper divided into sections Key Questions What happens if you use cross hatching? What happened if you press lightly? How can you get more than one shade of colour from your oil pastel?	



		Give the children a sheet of paper divided into sections to explore these different techniques.			
Engage/ Develop Art and Design	To represent things observed using colour in 2 dimensions To be able to use line and colour to create a minibeast picture.	Look again at the skills we learned when sketching our minibeasts. Explain that today we are going to be sketching our minibeasts and colouring them using oil pastels. Model lightly sketching the minibeast first, drawing attention to the fact that if I press lightly any errors will be easy to rub out/ will be hidden when colour is added. Model using oil pastels to colour the minibeast, testing colours on a separate	Children to select a minibeast to sketch based on their own levels of confidence. Support children as needed when sketching and colouring, drawing attention to details.	Resources images of minibeasts sketching pencils rubbers oil pastels Key Questions What shapes can you see? Which parts of the minibeast are darkest? Which parts are lightest? How can you show	
		sheet of paper first. Recap shading techniques to use on different parts of the minibeast.		the texture on the minibeast? How can you show how hairy its antenna are? Which colours will you ned?	
Develop	Suggest ideas, ask	Create a minibeast home to enable the children to keep, observe and care for a	Children to work in	Resources minibeasts e.g.	
Science	simple questions and know that they can be answered/investigated in different ways including simple secondary sources, such as books and video clips. To be able to create minibeast homes and	range of minibeasts. Collect specimens from the local area, including snails, spiders, worms and slugs. Look closely at the minibeasts using a digital microscope or hand lens. As a classd evise a range of questions that can be arranged into the following categories: those that can be answered by immediate observation ('Are the spiders	mixed ability groups to create their minibeast homes SEN: sup with recording questions (scribe if needed) LAPs: suggest questions MAPs/HAPs: organise questions into	worms, ants etc. jars, soil, gravel, leaves spoons, lollypop sticks transparent containers with lids Key Questions Where do we need to keep the minibeasts?	
	observe minibeasts.	alive?'), those that need further observation or research ('Can worms climb?') and those	categories	How can we make sure they are well looked after?	



		that may require a test ('What is a slug's favourite food?). Take pictures of children making the minibeast homes for topic books and put alongside the questions they wish to answer. Note You can find creatures outside or buy more unusual minibeasts such as mealworms and locusts from pet and reptile shops. Set up an observation log for children to record their observations over the next few weeks.		What will we need to do to help the minibeasts to have enough food?	
Develop English/ Science	To be able to write an information text about a minibeast. To be able to use subheadings to organise facts	Using English skills, recap the main features of a non-chronological report. Identify appropriate headings and subheadings for a non-chron about the minibeasts we have made homes for. Model writing a simple non-chron about a minibeast, using subheadings and facts suggested by the children. Identify any key vocabulary we should be using. Children to use facts they know from Science, English lessons and any further research to create a simple non-chon about one of the minibeasts we are studying in class.	SEN: all complete the same minibeast, writing frame and shared writing LAPs: provide with a writing frame with subheadings and some key facts MAPs: provide with key vocab/facts HAPs: complete independently.	Resources information about the minibeasts (ipads, fact files, books etc) Writing frames Key Questions Which subheadings could we use? What do these minibeasts eat? Where might they be found? What does this minibeast look like?	

Develop Mathematics Art and Design	Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and symmetry in a vertical line (e.g. quadrilaterals and polygons). Represent things observed using colour. To be able to use painting and printing to create an image of a butterfly.	Look at some minibeasts and identify symmetry in them. Look at images of butterflies, dragonflies, snails etc. Discuss the symmetrical patterns, shapes and colours. Look at some further examples of butterflies and discuss the symmetrical patterns and shapes. Demonstrate to the children how we can create our own symmetrical butterflies by painting one half and then folding the paper in half. Draw attention to the fact that the paint needs to be wet and so we need to work quickly. Allow the children to choose from a range of real butterflies to try to replicate, looking closely at the colours and patterns they have on them. Children to sketch their design first, then paint one half and fold over the paper to print	Children to select a butterfly to copy based on their confidence levels. Encourage children who find art more challenging to choose a simpler butterfly e.g. a common blue and challenge children who are more able in art to choose a more complex butterfly e.g. a painted lady	Resources images of butterflies to copy paint and paintbrushes thick paper (pre- folded) Key Questions Which colours can you see on this butterfly? What does symmetrical mean? What shapes can you see on its wings? What do you notice about the shape of the wings?
		Draw attention to the fact that the paint needs to be wet and so we need to work quickly. Allow the children to choose from a range of real butterflies to try to replicate, looking closely at the colours and patterns they have on them. Children to sketch their design first, then		see on its wings? What do you notice about the shape of
		the other half of the design. Note: this lesson may need to run alongside another lesson to allow children to have support with printing or other children may need to be sketching other symmetrical minibeasts.		
Develop Mathematics	Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and	Look at 2simple 2paint. Show the children the symmetry tool.	Children to complete this task at their own level.	Resources ICT suite Images of butterflies
matromatio	symmetry in a vertical			Key Questions

Art and Design Computing	line (e.g. quadrilaterals and polygons).	explain that we can use this tool to create butterfly images, similar to the ones we have created with paint.	Support children as needed to complete a simple butterfly shape.	Which tools will help us to create designs like a butterfly? How can we change the	
	Use technology purposefully to create digital content.	Demonstrate the tool and allow the children to experiment with how using other tools such as pen tool and splash tool create different effects.		colour of our designs? Which tools are most effective?	
	Use technology purposefully to create, store, manipulate and retrieve digital data.	children to create their own symmetrical butterfly pictures and save on Nessy Drive		Military and a last	
	To be able to use digital software to create a symmetrical image of a butterfly.	Note: Stick images of this and of the paint butterflies from previous lesson in topic books and ask children to write simple sentences comparing them/ saying which they prefer and why.		Which method of making a butterfly picture did you like best? Which method was easiest? Why?	
Engage/ Develop	Suggest ideas, ask simple questions and know that they can be answered/investigated	If possible invite a local bee keeper in to talk to the children about their job Children to find out about beekeeping, honey production and the life cycle of a bee		Resources Bee keeper camera	
Science	in different ways including simple secondary sources,				
Memorable Experience	such as books and video clips.				
	To find out about how bees make honey				
Develop	Recognise common uses of computing	Watch live webcam footage of bees in a bee colony as they come and go from the hive	SEN: writing frame and shared writing	Resources information about	
Computing English	outside of school	and perform their duties. Look closely at the bees returning to the hive to see if some appear different to others. Pick out bees that have full pollen baskets on their legs and	LAPs: provide with a writing frame with subheadings and some key facts	bees (ipads, fact files, books etc) Writing frames	

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			observe their different colours, which change depending on where they have foraged. See how bees communicate in and around the hive and watch footage of the waggle dance they perform to tell other worker bees the direction and distance of flowers that contain lots of pollen and nectar. https://explore.org/livecams/honeybees/honey-bee-landing-zone-cam Use the information from this lesson and the	MAPs: provide with key vocab/facts HAPs: complete independently.	images from visit and possibly screen shots from webcams. Key Questions Which subheadings could we use? What is the lifecycle of a bee like? How do bees make honey?	
Desi	/elop gn and nnology	Explain where the food they eat comes from (e.g. by referring to countries, counties, animals and plants). Understand that all food has to be grown, farmed or caught Evaluate existing products.	beekeeper visit to write information texts about bees, drawing on skills from English lessons on non-chronological reports. Observe, smell and taste raw honeycomb and a range of local honey in different flavours. Discuss the taste of each honey and decide which one they prefer Children to record 'tasting notes' for each of the different honeys they try and identify which they prefer to use in a honey recipe next lesson.	SEN: simpler table to record preferences. Provide with words to choose from and give marks out of 10 LAPs: complete simple form identifying the flavours they can taste in different honeys. MAPs/HAPs: complete tables more	Resources Different types of honey, spoons tables to record tasting notes. Key Questions What does this honey look like? What colour is it? How runny is it? What does it taste like? Which honey was the sweetest?	Remember to buy the chosen honey and other ingredients for the next lesson.
Desi	/elop gn and nnology	Use cookery techniques to prepare food safely. Choose appropriate tools and equipment.	Work in small groups to make honey and lemon cupcakes (recipe on Cornerstones) Discuss which equipment we will need, how to stay safe in the kitchen and what we will need to do to make sure we are being hygienic.	children work in small mixed ability groups to make the cupcakes under close adult supervision.	Which one did you like best? Why? Resources Use of kitchen butter, caster sugar, honey, lemon icing sugar, flour, . Key Questions	Take photographs of each stage to use in next lesson



				Which equipment will	
				we need? how will we	
				know how much flour	
				to use? What do we	
				need to do to stay	
				safe in the kitchen?	
Develop	Use cookery techniques	Look at images from previous lesson and	SEN: Writing frame	Resources	
	to prepare food safely.	sequence them.	with an image for each	images of process of	
Docian and			instruction to support.	making the cakes	
Design and	Choose appropriate	Explain we are going to se these to help us		writing frames	
Technology	tools and equipment.	to write instructions to make the cakes again.	LAPs: provide with		
English			examples of bossy	Key Questions	
	To be able to write a	Identify features of instructions – numbers,	verbs and a writing	What subheadings	
	set of instructions.	subheadings, bossy verbs (based on	frame	will we need?	
	To be able to use	previous work in English)		Which bossy verbs	
	bossy verbs		MAPs: provide with	will we need? What is	
		Model writing the instructions, drawing	examples of bossy	the bossy verb in this	
		attention to the bossy verbs used.	verbs	sentence? What did	
				we do first?	
		Children to use the images to help them to	HAPs: encourage use		
		write their own set of instructions.	of time words too.		
Develop		Go on a minibeast hunt at Gibside.			Keep maps of
20.0.0		Explore the different habitats and which			where
		minibeasts are found in different locations.			minibeasts
Memorable					were found
Experience		Provide children with simple maps or plans			for next
		for them to mark on where different			lesson
		minibeasts were found.			
Develop	To be able to draw a	Recap some of the map symbols used in our	SEN: provide with a	Resources	
	simple map and use	previous unit – Land Ahoy.	simple outline map	maps from trip	
	symbols for a key.		and key to support		
Geography		Look at sample sketch map from		Key Questions	
		Cornerstones resources and discuss how we	LAPs: Give some	What is a key? Which	
		can make a similar one showing where we	symbols on key to	human and physical	
		found minibeasts.	support	features did we see?	
				Where did we find	
		Make a simple sketch map of the area where	MAPs/HAPs: complete	most of the	
		they carried out their minibeast hunt. Talk	own maps and keys,	minibeasts?	



		about the physical and human features that they saw, using geographical vocabulary. Add a key to indicate features on their sketch maps and plot the route they took around the site. Identify stopping points or sampling areas along the route.	using symbols and sketch maps from visit to help.		
Develop Geography	To be able to draw a simple map and use symbols for a key. (NB: This may require two sessions, one to complete minibeast hunt and one to complete map)	Compete a minibeast hunt around the school grounds and mark on a simple map of the school where different minibeasts were found. Recap making a map of our minibeast hunt on our visit and make one of the school grounds. Talk about the physical and human features that they saw, using geographical vocabulary. Add a key to indicate features on their sketch maps and plot the route they took around the site. Identify stopping points or sampling areas along the route.	SEN: provide with a simple outline map and key to support LAPs: Give some symbols on key to support MAPs/HAPs: complete own maps and keys, using symbols and sketch maps from school grounds to help	Resources map of school grounds Key Questions What is a key? Which human and physical features did we see? Where did we find most of the minibeasts?	
Develop Art and Design	Choose appropriate materials and techniques for a given project.	Make an army of ants! Work alone to create an ant out of pipe cleaners and half the base of an egg box. Use pipe cleaners for the ant's legs and antennae, attaching them to the correct body part. Paint the ant brown and display it with others to make a class ant army! Note The three dimples of the egg box represent the ant's head, thorax and abdomen. An ant's legs are attached to its central thorax. To attach the ant's legs, either punch holes	Children to work independently to create their ants, with support from adults as needed. Provide a range of tools and equipment and allow children to choose the most appropriate to make their ants	Resources egg boxes pipe cleaners paint masking tape hole punch Key Questions What colour should our ants be? How could we attach the legs? Which part of the body should the legs be attached to?	Keep the ants for the next lesson.



		and thread pipe cleaners through the body or attach them to the bottom with masking tape.			
Develop Computing	Organise, store, manipulate and retrieve data in a range of digital formats. To be able to save	Show the children video of ants marching and working as a team from Youtube or National Geographic Explain that we are going to use our ants to greate an enjmotion of the enterworking	Children to work together to 'film' the ants and discuss how we can move them from scene to scene.	Resources Egg box ants from previous lesson camera or ipad tripod	
	work and edit it.	create an animation of the ants working together. Use stop motion animation software, such as I Can Animate, to make their ants march like an army across the classroom carpet or a table. Come up with ideas and suggestions for the animation by watching videos of ants working together. Create a background for the ants to 'march' in front of and add to the challenge with a gap that the ants must cross. Use a camera or iPad on a tripod to film the animation.	Encourage children to work as a team and identify strengths of their classmates to help them succeed as a class.	Key Questions What task could our ants complete? How can they help each other? What do we need to do after each movement? How can we piece the film together?	
Innovate	To be able to identify the life cycle of a minibeast	Show children the letter from Dr Fran asking them to make animations of the different life cycles of minibeasts.	Children to work in mixed ability groups. use assessment of	Resources ipads, books and factsheets about minibeast life cycles.	Keep models and backgrounds safe for next
Science Art and Design	To be able to create models To represent things observed in 3 dimensions Experiment with basic tools on different materials	Divide the children into groups and allow them to choose a minibeast, find out about its lifecycle using ipads and books and then ask them to create models of each stage. these will be used next lesson to create their animations.	previous work to identify children who are confident with technology and children who a re good artists and try to ensure there is at least one of each in each group	equipment for making models e.g. plasticine, pipe cleaners, card etc. Key Questions What are the stages for your mini beasts life cycle? How could you make a model of	lesson.



	To design and make 3d models to represent the stages in a lifecycle of a minibeast.			each stage? What will your model need to include? What backgrounds will you need?
Innovate Computing	To be able to use technology to create, store and edit digital content.	Using animation software, children to film their lifecycles using the 3d models they have made. Work in small groups t complete the animations, using techniques such as onion skinning if appropriate Save the files and export to a programme such as movie maker to add a title and credits. Save work.	Children to work in mixed ability groups and support each other	Resources ICT suite cameras/ipads minibeast models and backgrounds from previous lesson animation software Key Questions Which stage of the life cycle will you need first? How can you transition between each stage?
Express English/ Computing	To be able to create digital content using appropriate software To be able to create invitations and programmes	Explain to the class that we are going to hold a screening of their animations to show them to their parents. We will need invitations so that they know to come and a programme to decide which order the different films will be shown in. Agree on a running order as a class and children to use 2Simple software to create simple invitations and programs. Encourage them to create images using the skills they have learnt in previous sessions and/or insert images of their work from their animations as appropriate	children to compete programmes and invitations on computer Support with spelling if needed. Provide SEn with text pre-typed so they can focus on the format of their work.	Resources ICT suite 2simple software Key Questions what order will we show our films in? What time is our event? Where should we hold it? What other information do we need to include? How should we arrange our information?

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