

12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear families of Caterpillars and Tadpoles,

We hope you are all keeping well and have been busy this week. The children in school have been completing the same learning and challenges as we have set for you at home. Hopefully you have been able to complete some of them.

Next week we will continue to learn about different minibeasts. We shall be going on a hunt around the school ground to see if we can find any. Will there be any up in the trees or hidden under ground? Our focus for the week will be spiders (shh, don't tell Mrs Potter, she hates them!). Please watch the stories we have recorded for you and discuss them with your family.

We will start our phase 5 phonics next week. This means we will introduce new sounds as well as recapping those we already know. We have always done this in the summer term and find it really helps children with their reading. There will be 3 new sounds a week, then we will spend a day reviewing them and our 5<sup>th</sup> day will focus on reading tricky words (these are listed on the 100 high frequency words sheet that we sent home). There are videos to watch which introduce each new sound (phoneme). They are videos suitable for EYFS and Year 1. They are rather long so you may want to split it into parts or cut some bits out. Have a go and see how you get on.

The 3 new sounds this week are:

Split diagraph a\_e <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4jz3U25Xjk>

Split diagraph e\_e <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7gRajegO9M>

Split diagraph i\_e <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-p6KWV3eHI8>

Please don't forget to share with us the learning you have been completing at home. Even though we are now back working in school we still really want to hear from you. We will check ClassList and respond to your work on there. We will also reply to any email and help with anything we can.

Please take care of yourselves and remember we are thinking of you.

Kind regards

All staff in EYFS.