

Time To Talk: Nursery - Mini-beasts

Mini-beast- a small animal such as an insect or spider

Invertebrate

-a mini-beast who has no backbone

Thorax - the part of an insect body where legs and wings are

Metamorphosis - the transformation process to adult form

Chrysalis - a hard shelled pupa in which the transition of a butterfly takes place

Cocoon- a silky case spun by moths in transition

butterfly

caterpillar

ladybird

worm

beetle

snail

slug

earwig

ant

stick insect

fly

moth

praying mantis

dragonfly

bee

grasshopper

centipede

This term we will be exploring Mini-beasts. We will also be reading our Favourite 5 stories including The Hungry Caterpillar, The Bad Tempered Ladybird and Superworm, Mad about Mini-beasts and Spinderella . We will be exploring new vocabulary that we find in these stories and topic.

These are some of the vocabulary that you could use with your child. They will be exploring and learning what they mean and attempting to use them themselves.

Lifecycle of a Butterfly or

Moth

- 1.Egg
2. Larva (caterpillar, worm like)
3. Pupa (Cocoon for moths, Chrysalis for caterpillars)
4. Imago (Adult butterfly or moth)