

## Poetry

Read and perform a series of poetry about insects and minibeasts, with repeating patterns.



### During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills to read and understand new vocabulary in the poems.

Use Sequencing and Summarising Shadow's skills to learn and perform the poems.

## Top 5 Linked Texts

Spinderella by Julia Donaldson

Twist and Hop to the Minibeast Bop by Tony Mitton

The Bee Who Spoke by Al McCuish

Poppy and the Blooms by Fiona Woodcock

DK First Fact: Bugs



# Minibeasts

## Visual Literacy

We will read the picture book 'Caterpillar Shoes' by Angela Muse.

### During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills to read and discuss new vocabulary found within the book.

Use Rocket Retriever's skills to identify where to find information in the text.

Use Sequencing and Summarising Shadow's skills to order the events of the story.

Retell the story, adding our own imaginative details and description.



## Feature Focus

Using Expanded Noun Phrases which include strong and descriptive adjectives

Adverbs of time

Conjunctions such as 'because' and 'so'

Layout features of an explanation text such as diagrams and titles

Consistent handwriting and punctuation

## Comprehension

We will read fact files and short stories about minibeasts.



### During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills to work out the meaning of new technical vocabulary.

Use Rocket Retriever's skills to find information using the features of the texts.

## Non-Fiction

We will research and find out about the life cycle of a butterfly.

### During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills to work out the meaning of new technical vocabulary.

Use Rocket Retriever's skills to find information using the features of the texts.

Write an explanation text about the life cycle of a butterfly.