



Reception Newsletter

Welcome back Reception!

This half term our topic is linked to 'A Bug's Life'. Children will become investigators in the minibeast lab, watch our baby caterpillars transform into beautiful butterflies and go on a bug hunt!



Summer 1 2023

The children will visit the Library Boat every fortnight. Please share Library books at home as the children are always excited to show you what they have chosen.

Reception PE day!

Please can all children wear P.E kit to school every **MONDAY**. Please ensure all jewellery is removed.

Can we politely ask that if your child borrows any items of uniform from school that these are washed and returned please? Thank you.

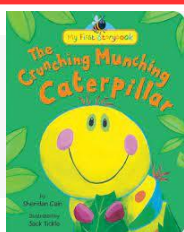
Exciting Visitor!

We are really looking forward to our visit from 'Rent-a-Beast' in May, where the children will get a first hand experience of handling minibeasts! 'Fluffy' the tarantula is one of our favourites!



Please wear suitable coats and hats/ caps to suit the weather. When warmer weather arrives please ensure that suncream is applied before the start of the school day.

The Year Group Leader in Reception is Mrs. Coleman



Let's find out about bugs!

Our class story is the 'Crunching, Munching Caterpillar'
By Sheridan Cain.

Through our class story we will be learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. We will discuss the character's feelings and retell the story accompanied by actions. We will be exploring the story vocabulary through linked activities, such as hatching our own butterflies!

In Maths, we will be continuing to explore the composition of numbers to 10/20. We will use manipulatives to support recalling number bonds to 10 and comparing numbers. We will continue to explore ways to record our addition and subtraction sums. We will also be comparing length and have a focus on doubling numbers.

In topic sessions we will be designing and making our own bug hotels from recycled materials. We will be recording the progress of our "live caterpillars" into butterflies and then releasing them. We will be discussing ways to improve our school sensory garden to become "bug friendly". In Art, we will experiment with colour and texture to create our own oil pastel minibeasts and blob and fold butterflies!

Read to Succeed!

Reading is an essential part of the learning journey at The Crescent Academy

- It is essential that your child has their **reading book and diary** in school **every day**.
- Please read at home at least **3 times** per week
- Write a **comment and sign each time** your child has read
- Children love to read at home, and will enjoy sharing their learning with you.

Thank you for your continued support.