

## Understanding the World

- Go on a caterpillar hunt and take a photograph
- Learn about metamorphosis. Find out about any other animals that undergo metamorphosis.
- Think about the different foods in the story. How are they grown or made? Where do they originate from?
- How would a caterpillar stay safe from a predator?
- Draw a map of your garden. Label your map with things from your garden. Where do you think the caterpillar would like to build his cocoon?

These activities are all cross curricular. They will support learning in other areas including the prime areas:

- Communication and Language
- Personal, Social and Emotional
- Physical development

Please encourage your child to make as many of their own suggestions as they want, develop and change their own ideas and find ways of solving problems that they may encounter as this will support the Characteristics of effective learning

## Expressive Art and Design and Physical Development

- Create a caterpillar out of natural objects
- Paint, colour or collage a picture of a caterpillar
- Make a caterpillar crown
- Can you crawl like a caterpillar?
- Talk about the healthy and unhealthy foods that the caterpillar eats. Keep a food diary for a week. How balanced is your diet?

# Minibeasts

## All about caterpillars

## Maths

- Learn the days of the week and put them in order.
- Create repeating patterns for a fingerprint caterpillar using different colours in an AB, ABB or ABC pattern
- Look at the caterpillar sheets and complete
- How many items of food does the caterpillar eat throughout the story?
- There are seven days in the week. How many ways can you make the number seven?
- Weigh different items of food and compare them using the vocabulary lighter than and heavier than.



## Literacy

Share the story of 'The very hungry caterpillar' or watch the animated story <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY&safe=true>

- Learn a poem about a caterpillar. I have included a couple for you
- Write down some key facts that you have learnt about caterpillars
- After sharing the story create, your own version using different foods e.g. On Monday he ate 1 pineapple, on Tuesday he ate 2 chocolate biscuits