



Topaz News

It has been a very busy and exciting short week in Topaz this week!

Learning

We have found out lots of new and interesting facts about creatures this week. Did you know that some creatures smell with their feet? These facts have been linked to our writing and we have been trying to remember to link all of our skills including using capital letters to start sentences, full stops to end as well as our controlled letter sizes.

At home you could find out more amazing creature facts for your child to share with us in class or go on a creature hunt. Maybe a snail hunt in the wet weather that we have had recently would be fun.

We have been watching the caterpillars carefully, looking for changes. They have grown to be very big and we are sure they will turn into a cocoon soon.



After noticing butterfly wings seem to be the same on each side, we started to explore symmetrical patterns. We have linked shape to this and as the shape names are names we just need to remember, some of us need to remember these.

Lots of us have been finding the order of letters in digraphs a challenge when it comes to writing them so we have made up a fun chant that seems to be helping us to solve the problem. Ask your child to show you at home using the list of digraph families in the green book.

We have carried on linking our counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. At home you could link this to small amounts of money.

We can wear trainers for sports day so they can start to bring these in for practice next week if they would like to.

Many thanks for your support, Sally Windmill