



Newsletter

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50 Things to do before you're 9—Rent-a-Beast Visit!

Written by Matthew Rukas, Year 2

On Tuesday Jo showed us some insect creatures. First Jo showed us a stick insect. It uses its sharp claws to climb steep trees. After a short while, Jo, told us that a stick insect camouflages so any other predator doesn't come and eat the stick insect.

Next, Jo showed us a tree insect and it just looked like a leaf! A tree insect can rip easy. After that, Jo told us that a tree insect moves just like a leaf because the predator will eat it. Jo told us if a tree insect loses his leg it will grow back. She then showed us a beetle and she told us that the mummy beetles go under the mud and lay eggs that grow into grubs. Next Jo told us that when the beetles go under the mud they can breathe because they have holes in their side. Then they eat fresh fruit to make them fat and big. Next they make their cocoon out of mud, leaves, poo and spit then they sleep in the cocoon. Next morning the beetles make a hole and turn into beetles.

A little while later, Jo showed us a giant African millipede that has 200 legs!! The millipede curls up tight so it can protect its tummy and it has a hard back. After Jo told us that there are little bugs that eat anything off their legs. After a short while, Jo showed us some African snails. The snails have a hard shell to protect itself. The snail has a long eye like a stick and it has very bad eye sight. Finally, Jo showed us a tarantula! After Jo told us that Pepper had a very hairy body and it had real fangs so Pepper isn't in any DANGER! I had a great time learning about the animals and I hope she brings some other animals in again.



Written by Victoria Spoor, Year 1

On Tuesday first of all Jo taught us about stick insects. The cool trick is that stick insects they grip on to you. They are camouflaged so they look like a tree. After we saw the beetles. The mummy lays the eggs where it is so quiet and so dark. Then they constructed a cocoon. Then they cut it open and get out. Then they are beetles. Next we saw the African millipede it had two hundred legs and a soft tummy and hard back. Jo's visit was interesting, I loved touching the creatures.

Reminders

- The Maths Workshop is for parents of all children in Reception through to Year 4, 2:30pm on Monday 12th March. It's not too late to sign up!
- Mother's Day Service is tomorrow at 9am at school
- Wednesday 14th March—Non uniform for a chocolate donation!
- Friday 16th March—Easter Bingo at school, 6pm
- Year 3 and 4 parents—please return your Bikeability consent forms to the school office
- The Food Bank in Uttoxeter were delighted with our first monthly parcel when Mrs Roche delivered it before half term. They said the things people need the most are tinned fish/meat, tinned hotdogs, coffee, toilet rolls, sanitary items and sugar. If anyone could help donate any of these items specifically that would be wonderful!

Lunchtime Supervisor's Jobs

We are still looking to recruit two lunchtime supervisors with immediate effect to work 1 hour per day, Monday to Friday, term time only, 12 until 1pm. The position is part time, offered on a permanent basis and requires supervision of the children during their lunch break, assisting the children with their table manners and use of cutlery as well as patrolling the playground and organising games and activities. .

£7.83—£8.09 per hour. If you would like to know more please call the school office on 01283 820365.

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people/vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This position is subject to a criminal records check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly CRB) which will require you to disclose details of all unspent and unfiltered spent reprimands, formal warnings, cautions and convictions in your application form.

Appeal for Snowdrop Suite at Burton Hospital



The Snowdrop Suite provides a brilliant service for those parents who experience the most tragic of times with the loss of a child either at birth or very shortly afterwards. Mrs Bean was wondering if there's any keen knitters out there who would be able to help knit first-born/prem size baby hats and small A3 sized blankets, in either white, pink or blue. These blankets and hats are put in keep sake boxes at the centre and are a great comfort to bereaved families. They also desperately need mini toiletries for the mums who have often been rushed into hospital with no time to pack an overnight bag. If anyone could help with these items we'd be very grateful to collect them at school to send to Burton Hospital.