Foundation Stage Curriculum Outline
'Minibeast Mayhem!' (Summer Term (2) 2019)

Communication & Language/Literacy (CLL)

As part of our 'Minibeast Mayhem!' topic, we will be reading classic stories about Minibeasts such as 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and using them to write our own insect-themed stories. In phonics, we will be focusing on writing simple sentences and captions using all of the letter sounds, digraphs, trigraphs and tricky words that we have learned. We will continue to work on accurate letter formation, thinking about the size of our writing. As we go through the term, we will undertake regular guided reading sessions, focusing on our comprehension and prediction skills.

Mathematics

In Mathematics we will revise our skills of addition and subtraction, recording our calculations in a variety of ways. We will begin to think about number bonds to 10 and spot patterns amongst numbers that can help with calculations. We will also investigate sharing a quantity of items fairly, 2D and 3D shapes and will look at telling the time to o'clock and half past on a clock.

Understanding the World (UW)

As part of our topic, we will explore the life cycles of a selection of creatures. We will think about how these creatures change and will have the opportunity to watch caterpillars turn into butterflies in our classroom. We will spend time thinking about how we should care for all living creatures and our environment.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

This term we will investigate the theme of 'Going for Goals!' We will be thinking about what we would like to achieve both in the short term and moving towards Year 1. There will also be opportunities to think about how our actions affect others and how we can make sure that our classroom is a calm, happy place to be. We will explore the idea of compromise and how we can negotiate to solve a problem.

Physical Development and P.E

P.E will now happen twice a week, on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** afternoon This half term, the children will be working on activities for Sports Day. We are lucky to have Mr Green from Carre's Grammar School working with us this term and he will be helping us to develop our basic skills, balance and co-ordination! There will be a range of activities on offer each day to develop gross motor skills (e.g. digging in the sand pit) and fine motor skills (e.g. colouring and threading).

It essential that your child has OUTDOOR & INDOOR P.E. kit in school at all times. PLEASE ensure that all items are named, especially outdoor kit!

Religious Education (R.E.)

In R.E. we will think about 'Creation', with particular emphasis on the Creation Story and what it means to Christians. We will have the exciting opportunity to lead our own church service as well as attending all whole-school assemblies and choral worship. We will develop the use of our outdoor area to reflect our interest in the environment and show our respect for all living creatures.

Expressive Arts & Design (EAD)

There will be many opportunities for painting, drawing, model making and role-play throughout this term! We will be creating posters, collages, models and paintings. Our role play area will be a 'Minibeast Explorer's Lab' where we will be able to investigate existing species and maybe discover some new ones! There will also be opportunities for singing, dancing and story-telling both inside and outside.

We will continue to send home reading books for you to share with your child. There may also be maths activities to have a go at throughout the term. Please continue to support your child by sharing their book and phonics sounds/words for 10 minutes each night. I am looking forward to another busy term in York Class!

Mrs Moseley **April 2019**