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<ul> <li>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</li> <li>Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are important.</li> <li>Play with one or more other children, extending and elaborating play ideas.</li> </ul>	Play ladybird games and other lotto games.
<ul> <li>Communication and Language</li> <li>Use a wider range of vocabulary.</li> <li>Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"</li> <li>Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learn new words.</li> <li>Describe about creatures move, talk have shape, size colour, textures, speeds. What creatures like to eat.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Physical Development</li> <li>Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting. For example, they decide whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank, depending on its length and width.</li> <li>Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.</li> <li>Show a preference for a dominant hand.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Animal/creature yoga.</li> <li>Observational drawings of ladybirds, new life etc.</li> </ul>
Literacy     Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary.     the names of the different parts of a book     count or clap syllables in a word – la-dy-bird     Write some letters accurately.	<ul> <li>Read, 'What the ladybird heard'?</li> <li>Read, 'Jasper's beanstalk'?</li> <li>Look at life cycle books.</li> <li>Write labels for bug house.</li> <li>count or clap syllables in a word – la-dy-bird</li> <li>Introduce RWI, and some phonic games</li> </ul>
<u>Mathematics</u>	Counting spots, legs, eyes etc

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- Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising').
- Recite numbers past 5
- Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle').
- Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5
- Make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight, and capacity.

- Comparing animal/creature sizes, patterns.
- Compare and measure beanstalks.
- Write numbers for number line.
- Sequencing the growing of plants.

## **Understanding the world**

- Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.
- Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.
- Plant seeds and care for growing plants.
- Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal.
- Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.

- Looking for bugs, creatures, signs of new life, growing of flowers and food.
- Make a bug house.
- Planting and growing of beans, wildflower seeds, sunflowers.
- Look at growing pumpkins ready for later in the year.

## **Expressive Arts and Design**

- Explore different materials freely, to develop the ideas about how to use them and what to make.
- Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them.
- Join different materials and explore different textures.

- Explore art using nature.
- Link in playdough, make ladybirds etc.