



## Bees



As a school we will all have the same topic focus over the next two weeks. We have decided that it will be based around Bees.



The following is a playlist of videos by Maddie Moate all related to bees:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xnhmxNoo4EY&list=PLmTANLv-GyXXqmwkldXcNYoY6Sy1t0Pg>



The following is a link to the story 'Bumblebear' by Nadia Shireen:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o6ZaSM6sNGw>



Below is a list of ideas for you to do with your children. Please do not feel that you have to do everything on this list. You know your child best and what works for them. When working with your child on a written task use the phonics mats which were provided in the blue books (R) for support. The tasks are intended as short written tasks and we wouldn't expect the children to sit for long periods of time. If they are struggling or getting upset then change task. Please email us if you want any support or guidance, we are more than happy to help. (Anything marked with 'R' are activities aimed more so at Reception)



- Read the story 'Bumblebear' with your child. What was their favourite part? Why did Norman want to be a bee? What happened when Norman saw the honey? How did Norman feel when he was asked to leave bee school?



- Draw a picture of Norman and write key words to describe him. (grownups- if needed write the words your child uses to describe Norman)
- Draw a picture of Norman and write why he went to bee school. (R)
- Draw, decorate and label a bumble bee.



- Practise tricky words using the bee power points (see resources)
- Discuss with your child what they know about bees/honey. Where does honey come from? Have you seen a bee? Where? How can we help bees?
- Look through the bee fact cards. (Help read if needed)
- Make a poster about saving bees and what we can do to help.



- 2D bee picture
- Work through the power point 'Sophies sunflowers' (See resources) <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/sophies-sunflowers-measuring-height-powerpoint-t-m-32017>
- Complete Sophie's sunflower measuring sheet. Reception children, can you use a ruler to measure and record the height of the sunflowers.



- In the resources are some sunflower measuring cards. Use cubes/lego bricks/blocks to measure the different sunflowers.
- Look at the sunflower fingerprint sheet. What numbers are at the top of the sunflowers? Finger print that many leaves onto the stem. (You may want to draw the sunflowers instead.)





- Minibeasts 1 spy and count to 10 activity (I spy/checklist in resources)
- Minibeasts I spy and add to 20 activity (See resources)
- Sunflower pencil control sheet. (See resources)
- Bee pencil control sheet. (See resources)
- Decorate an empty loo roll to look like a bee.
- Can you use honey to make some delicious cakes/honey sandwich?
- We have included a simple recipe including honey as an ingredient. If you make honey sandwiches or any other item can you write a list of instructions in your own words.
- Look through and discuss power point about the life cycle of a bee: <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-tp-5138-all-about-the-life-cycle-of-a-bee-powerpoint>
- Bee life cycle: cut out the pictures and put them in the correct order (see resources)
- Look at the bee fact card with information about honeycomb. What shaped can you see in the honeycomb. Use objects you can find with some yellow playdough to make your own honeycomb.
- Bees really like flowers. What flowers do you see in your garden/ on your daily walk? Can you paint a picture of a flower.
- Parts of flower power point and activity (see resources)
- This year has been an un-bee-lievable year. Although it may not have ended in the way we expected, all the children have accomplished and learnt new things over the year. We would like it if you could use the bee writing frame/ or draw your own hive and write something you have achieved/learnt this year. If you are working from home and able to send a photo/or hold on to this work till September we are hoping to make a display to celebrate the children. Email is: [Sarah.Stevens@st-nicholas.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:Sarah.Stevens@st-nicholas.staffs.sch.uk)



Useful links

The following is a link to a live bee hive camera:

<https://explore.org/livecams/honey-bees/honey-bee-hive-cam>



Useful links:

<http://sloely.com/wildflower-nature-hunt/>

British bee association:

<https://www.bbka.org.uk/>



Save our bees campaign:

<http://www.saveourbees.org.uk/>



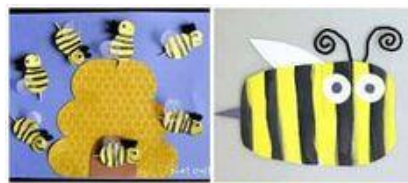
Enjoy watching 'The Bee Movie'

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Some ideas:

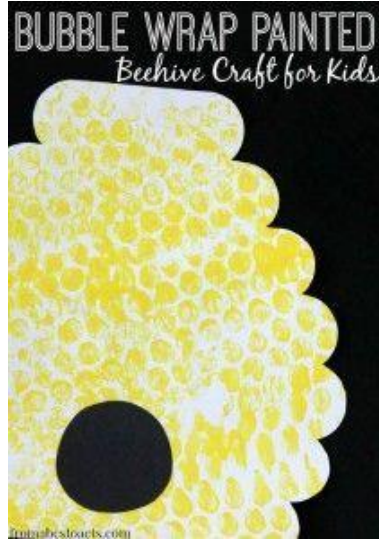


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Winnie the pooh loves honey and eats it every. He kindly sent us a recipe for Honey cakes that you may want to make.



**Winnie the Pooh honey cakes**

Ingredients:



1 cup flour



2 tsp corn flour

1.5 tbsp melted butter



1 egg



$\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk

$\frac{1}{4}$  cup of honey



Instructions:



1. In a large bowl add the dry ingredients.

2. An the egg and milk and mix.



3. Put a pan on a medium heat and add a little blob of butter



4. Pour around 2tbsp of the batter and add 1sp of honey in the middle. Then cover with another 2tbs (appox) of batter. The honey will seep through and caramelise the outside.



5. Repeat using all the batter.



6. Serve with berries and a sprinkle of icing sugar.

