

Dear Nursery children.

We hope you are all well and having fun.

### Nursery w/c 18<sup>th</sup> May - Learning Challenge - Let's have a mini-beast ball?

This week we need to celebrate our mini-beast topic with a party, at home, in your garden or at the park?

You could

1. Learn this song - The Ugly Bug Ball - words at the bottom  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=utWrlWq2\\_tk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=utWrlWq2_tk)
2. Listen to and dance to The Flight of the Bumblebee by Rimsky Korsakov. Its very fast and you will need to move your arms and legs very quickly.

[Flight of the Bumblebee - Rimsky-Korsakov \(arr ...](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M93qXQWaBdE> ▾



02/07/2018 · 50+ videos Play all Mix - **Flight** of the Bumblebee - Rimsky-Korsakov (arr. Rachmaninoff) YouTube Grieg – In the Hall of the Mountain King - Duration: 2:23. Kassia 3,090,392 views

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

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAIQ2G-T3qc>

3. Make a musical instrument to play to the music.

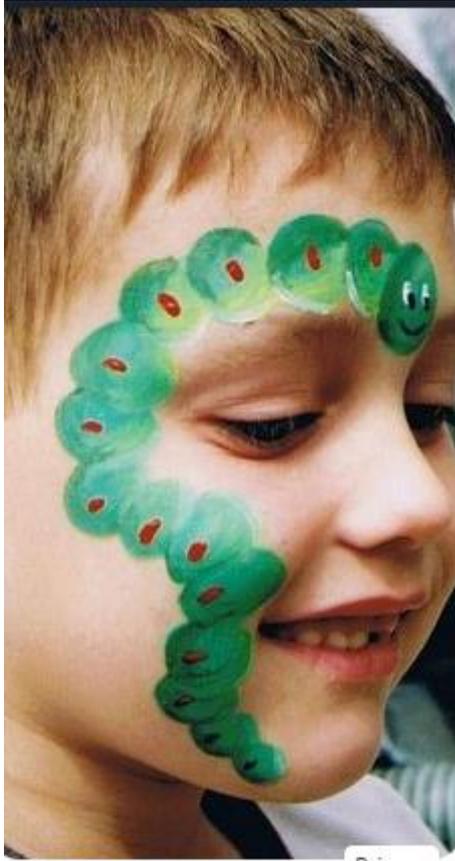


Fill a pop bottle with pasta or rice, decorate it if you like and shake it. You could also shake it at Clap for Carers on Thursday night.

Or tap two sticks together, like tap your sticks. You could put ribbons on them. Or bash a pan with a wooden spoon. Your parents will like that! If they don't know 'Tap your sticks' or Chicken Rice and Peas, you could teach them.

<https://artsycraftsymom.com/diy-musical-instruments-for-kids-to-make-and-play/>

4. Paint your face, dress up or make a mask. If you want to be a bumble bee you only need something yellow and black. Or a green T shirt to be a caterpillar.



5. Make some mini-beast cup cakes and snacks and have a picnic.



You could make some mini-beast animals using fruit and veg. These are really tasty, healthy snacks.



6. Play this game. If you haven't got a dice you can make one using a box. It can be as big as you like! But it does have to be a cube. It's called Beetle

Welcome to the Buglife beetle drive event. Tonight we hope to break the Guinness world record for the most people playing the game 'beetle'. To break the record we need 252 people playing at least 3 games of beetle. Please read the rules below. If you have any questions please talk to your steward.



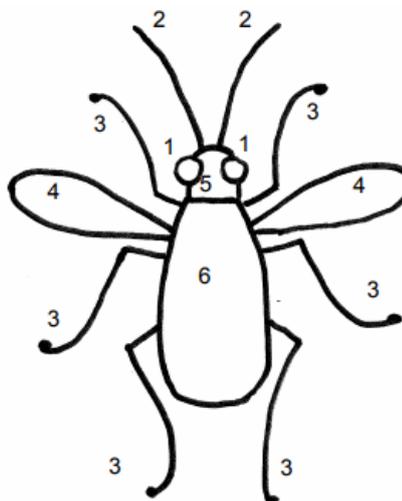
**What do I need ?**

You should have 4 players in your team, a dice, a beetle drive game sheet and a pen.

**What is the game about?**

The aim of the game is to be the first player to draw a complete beetle and shout 'BEETLE'. Each part of the beetle's body has a number that matches a number on the dice:

Dice	Beetle part	Important details
1	Eyes	you have to roll a 1 twice to draw both eyes
2	Antennae	you have to roll a 2 twice to draw both antennae
3	Legs	you have to roll a 3 six times to draw all six legs
4	Wings	you have to roll a 4 twice to draw both wings
5	Head	<b>you have to roll a 5 to draw the head before you can draw the antennae and eyes</b>
6	Body	<b>you must roll a 6 first to draw the beetle body</b>



Don't forget to practise your name writing and watch Numberblocks - that's if you can find time!

The sounds you could look for in your house are s, a, t, i, p, n, m, d, g. Our new sound is 'o' for orange, on, off, oblong and octopus. How many words can you hear in our story that start with the 'o' sound. Let us know! Watch Mr Thorne and Geraldine and get your mums, dads and carers to practise their sounds too.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53Fneh2Jlgk&feature=youtu.be>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yVry9jpVil>

Let us know what you find.

If its sunny don't forget to put on your sun tan lotion!

From

Mrs Scott, Mrs Laphorne and Mrs Charlton

## Summer Magic: The Ugly Bug Ball

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Once a lonely caterpillar sat and cried,

To a sympathetic beetle by his side.

"I've got nobody to hug,

I'm such an ugly bug."

Then a spider and a dragon fly replied,

"If you're serious and want to win a bride,

Come along with us,

To the glorious

Annual ugly bug ball."

Come on let's crawl

Gotta crawl, gotta crawl

To the ugly bug ball

To the ball, to the ball

And a happy time we'll have there

One and all

At the ugly bug ball

While the crickets clicked their tricky melodies  
All the ants were fancy-dancing with the fleas  
Then up from under the ground  
The worms came squirming around  
Oh they danced until their legs were nearly lame  
Every little crawling creature you could name  
Everyone was glad  
What a time they had  
They were so happy they came  
Everyone was glad! What a time they had!  
They were so happy they came!

Come on let's crawl  
Gotta crawl, gotta crawl  
To the ugly bug ball  
To the ball, to the ball  
And a happy time we'll have there  
One and all!  
At the ugly bug ball.

Then our caterpillar saw a pretty queen  
She was beautiful in yellow, black and green  
He said, "Would you care to dance?"  
Their dancing led to romance.  
And she sat upon his caterpillar knees  
And he gave his caterpillar queen a squeeze  
Soon they'll honeymoon  
Build a big cocoon  
Thanks to the ugly bug ball  
Come on let's crawl  
Gotta crawl, gotta crawl,  
To the ugly bug ball  
To the ball, to the ball  
And a happy time we'll have there  
One and all!  
At the ugly bug ball!

