

Big Idea: Spiders

This week the children have been such spider enthusiasts and they have loved learning lots about these eight legged friends! Whilst reading Arrgh Spider! we learnt that spiders aren't scary at all, they just want to be our pets and for us to love them! The children have been busy painting and drawing spiders, making junk modelled spiders, building giant spiders and their webs, telling spider stories, going on spider hunts to look for signs that spiders have been around and learning how to be gentle when picking up spiders. We found how many eyes spiders have, that not all spiders have webs, that spiders lay eggs and keep them safe in special sacks as well as learning the names of some unusual spiders such as the green jumping spider, Goliath bird eating tarantulas and the wolf spider. The highlight of our week was the visit from Aragog the tarantula which inspired so much writing, artwork and research! We know so much that we even made ourselves spider expert badges! What an amazing week we have all had! Well done everyone!

Next Week's Big Idea

Following the children's interests in real life animals, insects and the natural world, we will be moving on to our BIG Idea of Dogs! We will be reading stories about dogs, making information books about dogs, learning how to look after dogs and thinking about dogs that have jobs too!

Big Challenge

Can you draw or make a model of a dog? Use your imagination and find a really creative way to do this! We would love to see dogs made from recycling materials, lego, play dough, or even a dog made from sticks and leaves from the garden! Do you have any dogs at home? Could you draw a picture of your dog or maybe you could tell us all about it and post a picture on Tapestry? Have fun exploring and learning!

