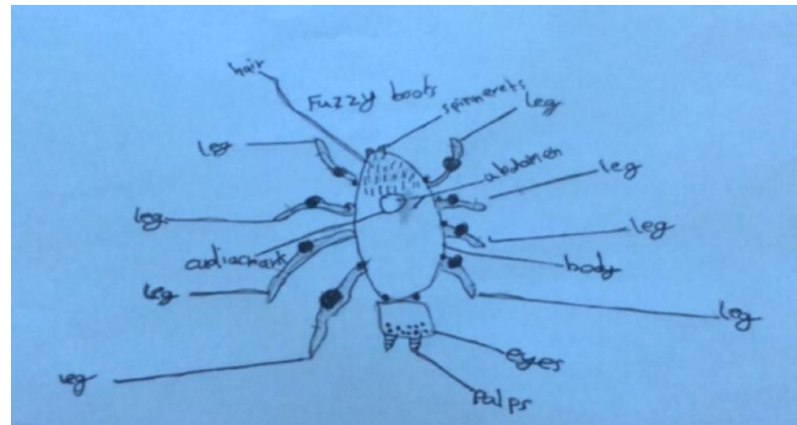


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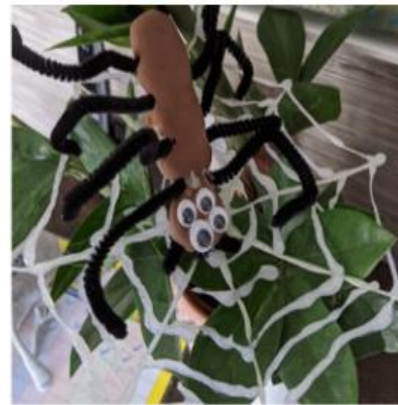
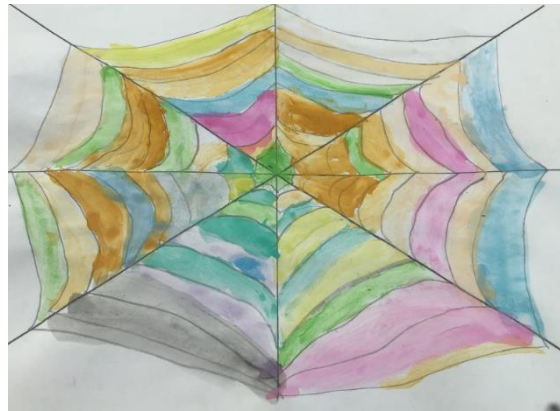
The Year 2 children have been learning about minibeasts for their topic this term. They have been working really hard and enthusiastically at home, as you can see from some examples of their creativity and fact writing during Spider week.



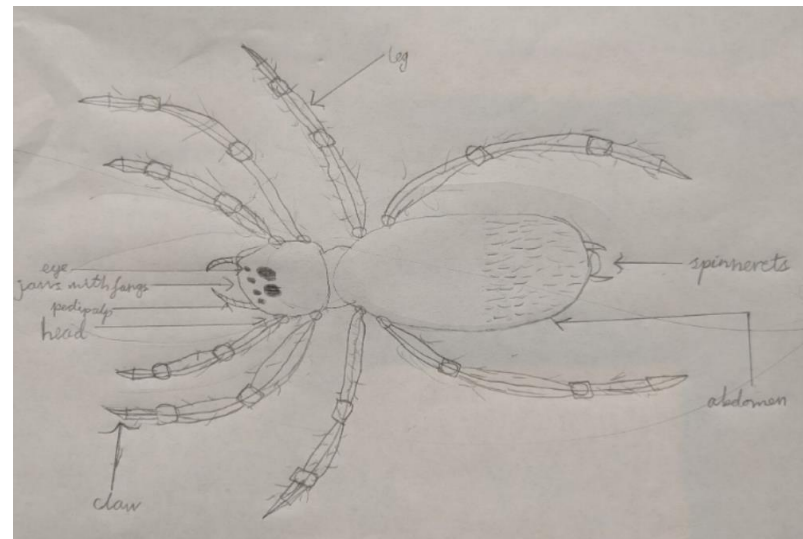
- Wednesday 13th May Facts about spiders
1. Spiders have 8 legs not 6 (like an insect).
 2. If spiders webs were as thick as a pipe it would collapse ^{completes}.
 3. Spiders are arachnids not insects.
 4. There are 25,000 spiders that humans know but there's a lot more to discover.
 5. Spiders blood is blue due to the copper in it.
 6. Spiders silk is a liquid until its exposed to air.
 7. Spiders leg muscles only pull in.



Daddy long legs spider



- Wednesday 13th May
- 1 The silk in a spiders web is 5 times stronger than steel.
 - 2 A spiders silk as thick as a pencil could stop an aircraft.
 - 3 It is the copper in the spiders blood that gives it the blue colour.
 - 4 Spiders silk is a liquid that hardens in the air.
 - 5 Spiders muscles only pull inwards so they pump a liquid in to their legs.



- Spider Facts
- 1 Spiders have Blue blood but we have Red.
 - 2 Peacock parachute spiders live in Southern India. Females live to 12 years, males live only for 3-4 years.
 - 3 Fen raft spiders live in Europe. This spider uses its feet to sense prey in pools of water then it runs across the pool to catch the prey.
 - 4 Arthropods were the first creatures to walk on land more than 400 million years ago.
 - 5 Spider silk is stronger than steel we watched an experiment to check.
- Mum holding a live tarantula.

