

Minibeast Lodge

Whether you're a person or a minibeast we all need somewhere to call home!

Minibeasts are essential to our existence and they need their safe hidey places. Lodges can provide good temporary homes for them. The best lodges have many small spaces in different shapes and sizes, and are made from different materials.

Building a lodge for minibeasts is important in any season, as it will give them somewhere to shelter from the elements. As we have covered in previous weeks, Insects encourage pollination of flowers and vegetables, so it is important to look after them.

What do we need?

Explore indoors and outdoors for the items you'll need:

Leaves, toilet rolls, pinecones, scrap paper, bark & twigs

plastic bottle / juice Carton, Cardboard

flowers , plant pots, moss, string/twine, wood chips


bamboo canes cut into small pieces, grass, stones, shells



Use a box or bottle as the outer shell to make your minibeast lodge in

 Start to build up your minibeast lodge with all the items you have collected.

Be inventive and imaginative! There is no right or wrong way.

 Place your finished lodge in your garden. Be sure to check up on it every few weeks to see who has moved in.

Safety points - Ask an adult to cut the front of the bottle. Do not disturb any minibeasts whilst searching for items. Wash your hands with warm water and soap when you've finished.