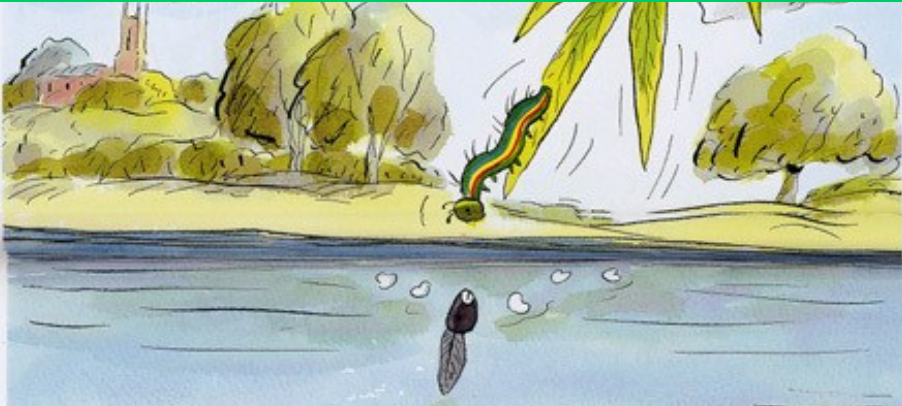


## Phonics

In class we will continue to practise writing joined up digraphs—oi, ai, ew and the trigraphs igh, ear, air, Do keep looking at the Phase 3 sound mat with your child. Can your child spot the digraphs and trigraphs in words. A good game is to circle them in words and this will help your child to see them as a whole unit.

Sian and Sarah have been very busy assessing the children's phonics. We've been really pleased with the progress they have been making.



## This Week

Most of the caterpillars have made cocoons-fingers crossed they will hatch into butterflies before half term!

We also visited the school pond and went pond dipping. We found hundreds of tadpoles, some newts and big hairy dragonfly nymphs!



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## Tadpoles Promise

We read 'Tadpole's Promise' by Tony Ross and Jeanne Willis. It's a great story which teaches children about the life cycles of frogs and butterflies. It has a bit of dark but funny twist at the end. See if your son or daughter can tell you the story. Here is a youtube link to the story being read:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=orXg7L-4mCU>

We used the book to inspire our art work this week and we've been learning how to paint using a colour wash background.



## Fluffy Friday

This coming Friday is Fluffy Friday.

The children will be told their activities before then.

All children can come in home clothes. Some may need to wear sporty clothes or old clothes depending on their activity-we will let you know!