## Minibeast Discovery

# **ASHMOLEAN**

### Foundation and Key Stage: 1

National Curriculum Subject Area/s: Science, art, potential for cross-curricular work Length of session: 1 hour

Max group size: 30 pupils

#### Session outline

An Art Gallery may not initially sound like an obvious place to hunt for minibeasts but there are thousands to discover in paintings and on objects. In this session pupils will take part in a number of minibeast activities in our galleries

**Activity 1: Minibeast Hunt** 

 Pupilswillsolveminibeastriddlesand then huntfor minibeasts in paintings in our Still Life Gallery.

Activity 2: Caterpillar collage

 Starting with the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'children will work in groups to create a giant 'big, fat caterpillar collage to take back to school.

Activity 3: Make a finger puppet

 Pupils will then make a colourful snail or butterfly finger puppet to take away.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

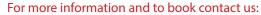
- This session aims to reinforce learning about minibeasts in school.
- Pupils will discover artists fascination with minibeasts and try our fun techniques inspired by artists such as Matisse.
- Improved speaking and listening skills.



'This session was perfect for children of this age. We all had a great time.'

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