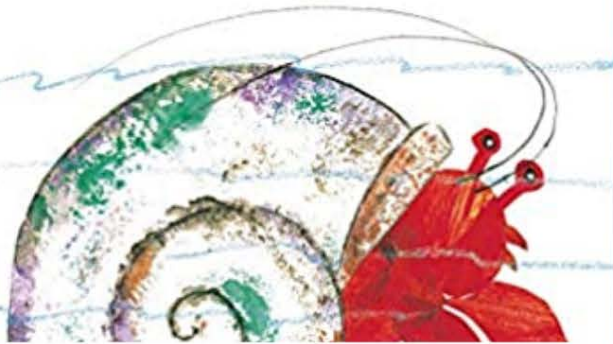


WETLAND WONDERS

**SNAILS,
SLUGS and
SLIME!**

SNAILS are MOLLUSKS!

ERIC CARLE **A House
for Hermit Crab**



This week's thunderstorms resulted in snails popping up everywhere! We learned quite a bit about snails by observing as they slithered ever so s-l-o-w-l-y across the pavement, leaves, branches and grass. We learned that snails are actually not INSECTS but are a part of another animal family that includes clams, oysters, scallops, octopus and squid.

The shell - WHY ARE THERE EMPTY SHELLS? We read "A House for Hermit the Crab" by Eric Carle and learned that snails outgrow their snug little shells and find themselves larger ones

WETLAND WONDERS

**SING and
DANCE in the
RAIN!**

PLAYING IN THE RAIN - Why is it beneficial?



ENHANCED PHYSICAL SKILLS

Children can develop physical skills faster in the rain. Due to slippery conditions, children need to work harder to maintain good balance, further improving their coordination and gross motor skills.



PROMOTES HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

Allowing children to play outside in the rain promotes a healthy lifestyle as they are taught from a young age that participating in daily exercise shouldn't be prevented by the weather.



INVESTIGATE SCIENTIFIC CONCEPTS

While exploring the great outdoors during rainfall, children are given new experiences of water, after seeing water coming from taps and water fountains.



SENSORY EXPERIENCE

Playing in the rain provides a fantastic sensory experience to children! With different sounds, sights, smells and touches, the rain can truly enhance children's sensory experience.



INCREASE INDEPENDANCE

When children are let out to play in the rain, they begin to learn self-help and independent skills - thinking about what they need in order to go out during wet weather.



ENHANCE CREATIVITY

Children's creativity and imaginations can be inspired as they jump in muddy puddles like their favourite animated characters and allow their minds to run wild.