

This year, we are studying insects and other creepy-crawlies in the Habitat.

This fall we learned about butterflies, dragonflies, beetles and ldybugs, cockroaches and roly polys (They both hide from light), and spiders. Here are dome of the web sites I used for information and activities.

Dragonflies: <http://www.sacsplash.org/critters/odonata.htm>

Beetles including ladybugs

<http://gardening.wsu.edu/library/inse001/inse001.htm>

<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/ec/ec1604.pdf>

<http://www.papermandalas.com/jewelry.htm> (cool scarab beetles to color)

Spiders

<http://www.sedl.org/scimath/pasopartners/spiders/>

[http://www.xs4all.nl/~ednieuw/Spiders/InfoNed/The\\_spider.html](http://www.xs4all.nl/~ednieuw/Spiders/InfoNed/The_spider.html) for older kids or good readers or wonks

If you are a person who loves learning about bugs, here are some other great web sites.

General sites

<http://www.kendall-bioresearch.co.uk/>

<http://www.sacsplash.org/mather/animals.htm> (Sacramento area)

<http://bugguide.net/node/view/15740> (Iowa State)

<http://gardening.wsu.edu/text/insects.htm> Washington State Extension

<http://www.kidsgardening.com/pollinator/curriculum/session1a.php>

<http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/insects> (Univ. of Illinois)

<http://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/pollinators/insectbasics.shtml> (US Forest Service)

<http://www.uky.edu/Ag/Entomology/ythfacts/oldentyouth.htm> for k-3

<http://www.uky.edu/Ag/CritterFiles/casefile/casefile.htm> – for older kids or good readers or wonks (Univ. of Kentucky)

<http://www.uky.edu/Ag/CritterFiles/casefile/bugconnection/petbugs/petbugs.htm> – bugs as pets (Univ. of Kentucky)

Habitat Club will start up again after Spring Break. We will learn about:

Bees

Hornets and Wasps

Ants

Grasshoppers and Crickets

Mosquitos and other aquatic bugs

Houseflies and fleas

Slugs and Snails

Earthworms

<http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/worms/> (Univ. of Illinois)

Spiders