Oak Tree Federation Nature Detectives.   01.05.2020

Good Morning Everyone,

We have had a bit of a change in the weather with the rain this week, but I always find the rain brings out some lovely depth in colours, the leaves and the grass seem darker and everything feels fresher.
We have had some fantastic detective work this week and some great photos.

The answer to the riddle was, a Ladybird. Believe it or not Ladybird are fearsome hunters, they eat Aphids (Greenfly and Blackfly). Aphids love to eat rose plants so gardeners like having Ladybirds around, they are one of nature's natural pest controllers.

The small bird is a Wren and just goes to prove that sometimes the small ones can be the loudest. Sounds a bit like Bugs Class!!!!!!!

The photos were of a Red Admiral butterfly and a very large Earthworm I found whilst digging in the garden.

This week, have a look at these and see if you can find out what they are and send me some facts you find about them.

Cryptic Quiz
Some people say I'm nutty.
I have a girl's name.
A sleepy little mammal likes to live in / on me. (Which mammal I wonder?)
You can cut me down and I will grow back (coppicing)
This one's for the grown-ups. Topic Bar Advert?

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This week is going to be good for looking up at the sky and clouds. I enjoy watching the clouds drift by and seeing what shapes or things I can see in them. You may be lucky enough to see a dragon, dog, pig or even an elephant float above your head!
Take a photo or draw a picture.

From our detectives.

The lovely sunshine last week brought out some great things.

Grass Snakes were seen by Arthur and by Seth.

A Lizard and a Bufo Bufo (Common Toad) by Lilley and Seth

Some beautiful flowers and ferns by Ida. Can you see the tree sapling?

Well done all those children who sent in answers and photos, thank you very much.
Keep up the good work and keep detecting.
Leave no stone unturned! Then carefully put it back.

Take care
Mr Sidebottom