

## Uphall Early Learning Centre

*Spring is when the world comes alive that is stimulating for children to explore* 



## **Exploring the Signs of Spring**



1 - Look for ladybirds and count their spots.

What colour, are the ladybirds?

## How do they move?

What do they eat? They eat all the tiny bugs on the leaves of plants.



2 - Look this ladybird is going to fly away home.



3 - You will notice that there are lots of tiny baby spiders outside. They will grow and start to make spiders webs. The webs make beautiful patterns and if you look close enough you might find a fly caught in the web for the spider to eat.



4 - Look for birds collecting twigs for building their nest.



5 - Look for baby birds, sometimes you can hear them chirping. Talk about what birds eat and how they feed their babies.



If you look in the trees you might find a birds nest.

6 - Do you go to feed ducks? At this time of year it is lovely to watch the ducklings follow their parent.

A daddy duck is called a Drake he has bright colourful feathers.

A mummy is called a Duck and is brown and black in colour.



7 - On the farms spring is a busy time of the year with all the baby animals being born. A baby sheep is called a lamb and it has already learned to walk.



8 - A baby cow is called a calf and look at this calf sitting on the grass enjoying the warm sun. The calf drinks milk from it's mummy until it gets old enough to eat grass.



9 - The little pigglets are all cosy and sound asleep with it's brothers and sisters.



10 - The hens lay eggs and sit on them to keep them warm until the chicks crack through the egg shell.



11 - A baby horse is called a Foal, it is keeping safe by staying close to its mummy.