

# Imaginary Insect Zoo *(cont.)*

## *Parent Letter for Insect Materials*

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Dear Parents,**

Your child has learned much about insects as our class looked at a wide variety of insects brought from areas around our houses and school grounds. We have also raised mealworms, ants, butterflies, and silkworms. Now, we are ready to create our own unique zoo of imaginary insects. We need your help in gathering the materials students can use to create their imaginary insects. Some of these are listed below:

- aluminum foil
- pipe cleaners
- thin wire
- feathers
- colored cellophane
- small buttons
- toilet tissue rolls
- egg cartons

We have looked at pictures of many different types of insects to give the students ideas. Talk with your child, asking what may be needed to make his or her insect. If you can spare extra items beyond those your child will use, they will be gratefully accepted for other students to use.

The class will begin to create the insects on \_\_\_\_\_. Please send the materials to school with your child before this date. Our Imaginary Insect Zoo should be ready for you to visit within a week after we begin construction. You will receive a notice announcing its grand opening and inviting you to visit.

Thank you for your help in enriching our study of insects.

Cordially,

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## *This is My Insect*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Insect's Name: \_\_\_\_\_.

It eats \_\_\_\_\_.

Tell how your insect can . . .

• **smell:** \_\_\_\_\_

• **hear:** \_\_\_\_\_

• **see:** \_\_\_\_\_

• **taste:** \_\_\_\_\_

• **eat:** \_\_\_\_\_

• **move around:** \_\_\_\_\_

• **protect itself:** \_\_\_\_\_

Make a drawing to show your insect's life cycle.

