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It's a bug's life



•Creepy goings-on...Nicola White with youngsters at Woodside School.

INSECTS are the theme of a new art workshop at Ruardean Woodside School working with artist Nicola White from Cinderford Artspace.

Using funding from 'Something Different' Nicola, who specialises in printmaking, has been working with a small group of children to improve levels of well being and confidence and to celebrate the refurbishment of the school library.

The children have used feathers, leaves, string foil, paper cut-out stencils, recycled fabrics and foam blocks, as well as a small etching press, to make unique prints on paper, using as inspiration books on insects as well as handling a bag full of creepy

crawlies.

The school says: "The most exciting delight for them was in using the process of printing in a playful and imaginative way, rolling up coloured ink onto plastic sheets, laying down pattern into the ink and running the whole thing through the etching press... not quite knowing what the final print will look like."

Hale and Co of Drybrook donated the materials to frame and hang the artwork. To find out more about 'Something Different' available to all schools or Artspace call 01594 82511 or email sally@cinderfordartspace.org