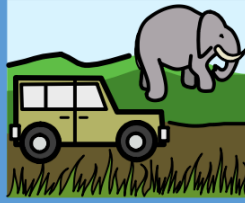
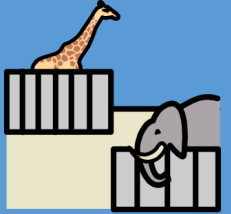
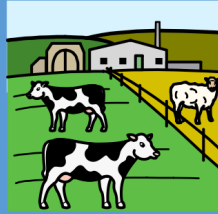


Explorer's Class



Spring 2—Farm and Zoo animals

Curriculum information



What are we focusing on?

We will be learning all about farm animals and then zoo animals.

We will learn animal names and what sounds they make and also begin to look at animal babies.

Please let us know if your child has a favourite farm or zoo animal



In the Explorer's Class, our learning is firstly dictated by children's individual EHCP Outcomes. The children get a chance to play indoors and outdoors and this allows us to see what each child really likes and doesn't like. We will use these high interest ideas to help motivate the children.

Please let us know if they have new likes and dislikes as we know children often change their preferences and enjoy new things.



Fine motor activities

Fine motor skills are the tiny movements we make with our hands, fingers, feet and toes. They **allow us to do countless everyday tasks**. Developing fine motor skills **helps children do things like eating, writing, manipulating objects and getting dressed**

We are always doing lots of things to improve our fine motor skills such as picking up lentils and pasta, colouring, using tweezers and so many more.

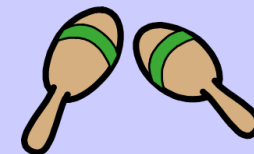
Google has lots of ideas if you want to try some simple ideas at home

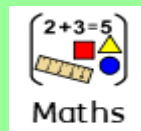


Music

In music we are learning how to hold instruments such as shakers, bells and beaters for the drums. We are learning how to take turns with our friends.

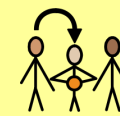
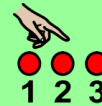
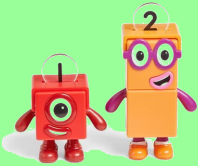
We are also trying hard to shake our shakers or bells and freeze when the music stops





We will continue to look at numbers and will be focusing on the numbers 1 and 2 for most children. We will be counting 1 or 2 items and then seeing if your child can give us the correct amount when asked.

We will be watching short number blocks clips to help us with our understanding. You can help your child at home by counting out 1 or 2 items e.g. 1 biscuit, 1 toy etc



Turn taking



We will continue to work on our concentration skills and learning to take turns.

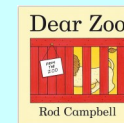
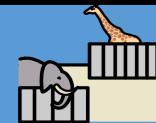
Ways you can help at home:

- Take turns building a tower
- Take turns when colouring
- Roll a ball to each other

Remember to say “My turn, (child’s name) turn”



Spring 2—Farm and zoo animals



This half term, we will be experiencing a range of Sensory Stories around farm and zoo animals. We will be trying to use all of our senses to get the children engaged and excited.

We will sing Old McDonald and have the chance to feel different materials, listen to animal noises and look at lots of animals. We will also adapt the book Dear Zoo to include animals we feel might be familiar to the children

Children will be given opportunities to comment on what they can see and hear. Some children will also complete follow up activities, where we will be working on their literacy skills.

If you have visited a farm or Zoo please feel free to send us some photos to look at.



How can you help?

Please share information with us via WEDUC regarding how your child has been at home. Please also let us know if they have any new favourite things as we can plan this into our activities.

If you have any questions or comments about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to contact us.

