

Reception Class Planning Overview - Summer Term 1 2017

Main Question - Are All Animals The Same?

Week	Question	Learning Opportunities
Wow	Visit to the Pet Shop/ Pet Shop role play area	
1	How Do Tadpoles Change? (4 Days)	<p>Visit the Pond - Observe the tadpoles/ froglets/ bring some back to the classroom.</p> <p>How have the tadpoles changed? Draw in sketch books.</p> <p>Writing about tadpoles and frogs.</p> <p>Frog lifecycle.</p> <p>Maths: Capacity - small group work. Focus activity outside area.</p> <p>Phonics check for all children this week.</p>
2	Why Don't Animals Eat Everything?	<p>Compare a giraffe and a lion, What do they eat? Do they eat the same?</p> <p>Introduce herbivore, omnivore and carnivore.</p> <p>Talk about taste and foods we like/ don't like. Taste workshop with Tesco.</p> <p>Visit to the pet shop in small groups. Set up Pet Shop role play area.</p> <p>Maths: Money/ adding coin values together - Read <i>The Great Pet Sale</i></p>
3	Why Do Some Animals Sleep In The Daytime?	<p>Find out about nocturnal animals such as bats and owls. Read <i>Owl babies and the owl who was afraid of the dark</i>.</p> <p>Explore our senses of sight and hearing. Explore blindfold games. What is it like not to see?</p> <p>Maths: Counting in 2's/ making sets of two.</p>

4	What Animals Are Around The World?	<p>Explore different climates where animals come from/ habitats. Polar Bear, Whale, Kangaroo and Lemur - where do these animals live and why? Explore the island of Madagascar.</p> <p>Look at rhyming text through commotion in the ocean and rumble in the jungle.</p> <p>Maths: Counting in 5's/ making sets of five.</p>
5	What Special Talents Do Animal Have?	<p>Look at different animals and their special talents. Cheetah (speed), Bears (fishing), Seal (swimming), Parrots (talking). What are my special talents? Hold a talent show.</p> <p>Set up the stage in the classroom.</p> <p>Why do they use dogs to help people? Look at working dogs e.g. guide dog/ hearing dog etc.</p> <p>Maths: Days of the week/ Months of the year read - Mr Wolf's Week/ The rabbit problem/ sing days of the week song/ Look at calendars and birthdays.</p>
6	When Chickens Grow Up Do They Lay Eggs?	<p>Visit Nursery chickens and draw. Life cycle of a chicken.</p> <p>Look at different types of eggs. Are all eggs the same? Who laid which egg? Imaginative writing/ drawing what do you think is inside?</p> <p>Sorting and measuring eggs. Which is the heaviest one?</p> <p>What other animals lay eggs? Reptiles/ amphibians and snakes.</p> <p>Maths: Revisit place value/ adding 10's. Counting in tens/ explore repeated addition of 10. Introduce and use 100 square.</p>