

Dear Parents,

We will be using the theme of 'Down In The Jungle' to introduce your child to different areas of learning. If you would like to follow this up at home here are a few ideas to try!

Talking & Listening

- Listen and copy the sounds made by jungle animals. Take it in turns to play 'I know an animal that makes this sound...'
- Talk about animal life cycles, where different animals live and their features

Making

- Help your child make an animal mobile. Cut pictures of animals from wrapping paper, wallpaper, cards and magazines. Mount them onto card and cut them out. Hang the pictures from a coat hanger with strong thread.
- Make a scrap book of animals your child has seen on the television or in books – include wild animals and pets. How many different ways could the animals be sorted and arranged on the pages?

Books

- Visit the library to look for non-fiction books, poetry and stories about jungle animals. Encourage your child to use the front cover and illustrations to make predictions about what the book might be about.
- Together search for and learn to recite rhymes and sing songs that feature jungle animals such as 'Walking Through the Jungle'... 'Row, row your boat'.

Out & About

- Visit an animal sanctuary or a zoo. Talk with your child about the animals, can they name them, describe what they look like or describe how they move?

What Are The Opportunities For Learning?

- Becoming more aware of a range of animals and their environments.
- Experience of handling different materials
- Asking questions, investigating and exploring
- Collaborating and sharing while playing and making.
- Enjoying singing, stories and talking.