# What animals would like to live here? Spring Term Foundation Unit

#### Personal, Social and Emotional.

- Woodland School sessions focusing on resilience and confidence building. (BV)
- Time to talk activities, practising making compromises and working with others. (BV)
- Discussing and understanding our own and others feelings. (BV)
- Making decisions about how to demonstrate our knowledge. (BV)
- Working with friends to achieve a goal.
- Enjoying new challenges.

# **Expressive Arts and Design**

The use of music, dance, art and drama are fantastic ways to develop skills and confidence. This term we will explore:

- Creating 3D animals.
- Designing and creating animal habitats.
- Colour investigations.
- Exploring animal colour texture and patterns and the use of camouflage.
- Using natural resources and participating in woodland crafts.

# **Communication and Language**

- Maintaining attention, listening and concentrating on topical stories and rhymes. (BV)
- Talking about Spring time events and celebrations (BV).
- Discussing animals and their habitats.
- Looking at our topic vocabulary.
- Developing our questioning and reasoning skills.
- Learning forums to discuss our successes and next steps.

#### **Physical Development**

- Developing ball skills and control.
- Travelling and balancing with confidence in different ways at different levels.
- Linking a combination of moves to create a sequence on our own and with a partner.
- Exploring the movement of animals in their habitats.
- Moving and responding to different types of music.
- Selecting different tools and handling them safely.
- Managing own risks and how to keep ourselves safe.



### Maths

- Counting up and back from 20.
- Recognising and ordering numbers to 20.
- Addition and subtraction within numbers to 10 and then 20.
- Recognising, naming and describing the properties of 3D shapes.
- Exploring and measuring time in simple ways.
- Exploring and measuring weight, capacity and size.

# Understanding the World

Through varied activities and using our locality and grounds we will explore and encourage curiosity and excitement in the world around them!

- Enquiring about animal habitats.
- Exploring what animals need to survive.
- Learning about Spring celebrations.(BV)
- Noticing changes in seasons and weather. (BV)
- Using technology to support and record our learning.

#### Literacy

- Daily RWI sessions to develop our understanding of letters and their sounds and the reading and writing of words.
- Creating a class story though story bag sessions.
- Using images as a stimulus to write simple sentences.
- Labelling and writing simple captions as part of our topic work.
- Practise handwriting and letter formation.
- Independent writing opportunities through provocations and environment enhancements.
- Explore a variety of topical and seasonal texts. (BV)
- Role play and drama activities related to our topic.