

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Playing simple games with your child is a great way for them to learn about co-operative play and turn taking – why not try taking turns to describe an animal and having the other person guess your animal.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Get really creative and have some fun making some animals from the stories. Maybe your child could bring the animals in to school for us to see.
- Now is your chance to be an actor and try acting out the different stories with your child.

Understanding the World

Young children love cooking which is a great way to learn about science. Why not try:

- Making bread like the little red hen
- Making a gingerbread man
- Making porridge for breakfast

Communication and Language

Research shows children who have lots of opportunities to talk and develop a wide and varied vocabulary are more likely to achieve at school.

Discuss the different stories with your child. Help your child to retell the stories by asking who, when, why and what questions. If you speak another language at home this talk does not have to be in English, talk in your home language is just as valuable.

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Suggestions for Nursery home prep
Nursery topic – **Animals**

There are lots of ways to help your child at home.
Here are a few suggestions to get you started.

Mathematics

- Engage in shape hunts when out shopping – what shapes can you and your child find? Can you find any unusual shapes? Help your child to name the different shapes.
- Begin to look at the size of things – you could collect leaves and sort them from biggest to smallest or maybe you could do a line up of teddies from smallest to biggest.

Literacy

Experiencing a wide range of books at an early age helps to develop a lifelong love of reading. Why not visit the local library (located at the Westfield Shopping Centre) and borrow the books we will be studying at school to read together at home:

- Polar Bear, Polar, Bear by Eric Carle
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear by Eric Carle
- Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell

Physical Development

- Help your child to practice their fine motor skills by encouraging them to draw different animals.
- Have some fun together moving like the different animals.