

Physical Development

Fine motor skills
Handwriting
Gross motor skills
Spatial awareness
Dance

West Bridgford Infant School

Reception

Spring 1st half term 2024

Context for learning – Amazing Animals



Mathematics

Recognising, representing,
comparing and composition of
numbers up to 10
Number bonds to 10
Comparing length and height
Comparing capacity
Solving practical problems

Expressive Arts and Design

Painting pictures of animals
Singing
'Beat Feet' drumming
workshop
Musical instruments
Drama & role play
Building and constructing

Understanding the World

Observations of wild animals (through
books and videos)
Animal habitats
Similarities & Differences between
contrasting animal habitats
Africa & West Bridgford
Animal Conservation
Seasonal Change
Family bags
Wow Moments
Chinese New Year – Year of the
Dragon

How can you help?

Enjoy books together. Talk about the
story. Ask questions about what you have
read.
Go to the library and find books to
support the topics.
Phonics – Use the phonics reading books
to practise blending. There are some
activities to do with your child together at
the beginning of the books.
Check book bags for letters and the
website every Friday for newsletters.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Shining star assembly

Growth Mindset

- Curiosity

Asking questions, noticing things,
looking for patterns and connections,
thinking of possible reasons,
researching, asking 'What if..?'

Communication, Language and Literacy

Phonics- Learning new phonemes (sounds)
and blending them to read
Learning to read some tricky words: was, you,
they, my, by, all, are, sure, pure
Begin to segment to spell simple words
Rhyming activities
Learning new Topic key vocabulary
Listening to stories and tales from other
countries
Look at information books on Animals
Take part in speaking and listening activities
Use language to imagine and recreate roles
Learning letter names