

Rumble in the Jungle



ENTRY POINT: The animals have got into a muddle! Who can live with who? Do they all need the same home? The same food? What can we do to find out?

HOME LEARNING: How many animals can you find that live near you? Find a way of showing this - picture, writing, photos. Find some information books about animals; invent a new animal.

OUTCOME: Write a leaflet about an animal and make a 3D habitat in a shoe box.

Physical development-

We will explore animal movements in our swimming pool and outside classroom. The children will handle a range of tools using clay and junk modelling. We will continue our athletics sessions in anticipation of Sports Day.

Expressive arts and design-

We will make observational drawings of animals and insects, as well as masks and models. The children will make small world environments for their chosen animal. They will explore different habitats in their small world play. They will look at camouflage and create their own pattern.

Personal Social and Emotional-

Children will talk about looking after animals, including pets and showing care and concern for animals and the environment. We will discuss feelings about animals, including fear and respect for some.

Maths-

We will use animals and insects to sort and group and create bar graphs of favourite animals. Measurement work will involve animals and insects - which is the heaviest/longest toy? Problem solving will include addition, subtraction and sharing. We will continue to work on number formation and recognising and ordering numbers to 20 and beyond.

Literacy-

Children will make 'who am I?' cards and books about animals to develop sentence writing skills. They will create posters and instructions about caring for animals. We will look at story content and rhyme in jungle stories.

Communication and Language-

The children will interact with each other, negotiating plans and activities and taking turns in conversation. In our jungle role play area they will use imaginative language and pretend to be jungle explorers.

Understanding the World

We will talk about animals and their babies, where animals live (their habitats). We will talk about similarities and differences between animals - locally and in different places around the world. Children will use the internet to find out about animals, and drawing and writing programs to show what they have discovered. Bee-bots will take tours around a wildlife park! We will learn about Noah's Ark as a Christian story.