

Nursery Medium Term Planning Summer 1 2023

Animals & Their Babies

Area of Learning	Week 1 17.04.23 Animals and Their Babies	Week 2 23.04.23 Farm Animals	Week 3 2.05.23 (1.5.23 Bank Holiday) Woodland Animals	Week 4 9.05.23 (8.5.23 Coronation Day) Coronation Celebrations	Week 5 15.05.23 Wild and Endangered Animals	Week 6 22.05.23 Arctic and Antarctic
Personal Social and Emotional	Changing Me - Jigsaw- Piece 1- My Body	Changing Me - Jigsaw – Piece 2- Respecting My Body	Changing Me - Jigsaw – Piece 3- Growing UP	Talk about feelings people might experience during the coronation events, such as excitement, happiness, curiosity and anxiety. How might The King be feeling on his special day? Talk about the qualities that children think are important in a king or queen. Should a king be kind? How could he show kindness to others?	Changing Me -Jigsaw – Piece 4- Growth and Change	Changing Me - Jigsaw – Piece 5- Fun & Fears
Communication and Language	Talk about holiday news – What did you do in the holidays? Animals, pets, parent, adult, baby, offspring, mother, father, cat/kitten, dog, puppy, vet Life Cycle, animal, parent, offspring	Farm, home, farmer, barn, stable, coop, pigsty, horse, cow, horse, sheep, pig, chicken, Spring, warmer, weather, cow/calves, pig/piglet, horse/foal, chicken/chick, goat/kid	Badger/cub, fox/cub (or kit or pup), owl/owlet, squirrel/kitten, hedgehog/hoglet, sett, hole, underground. Harm, destroy, protect, tree, woodland, habitat, damage.	Encourage the children to use new vocabulary linked to King Charles III and the coronation by setting up a Buckingham Palace Small World Scene , along with Stick Puppets of King Charles III and Camilla, the Queen Consort. Teach the children how to sing the British national anthem and discuss the meaning of any new vocabulary, such as 'reign', 'victorious' and 'glorious'.	Tiger, India, Mountain Gorilla: Africa Lion: Africa Rhino: Africa Giant Panda: China, Habitat, danger, endangered, extinct, zoo.	North Pole, South Pole, Arctic, Antarctic, frozen, ice, snow, sea, polar bears, arctic fox, seal, reindeer/caribou, narwhal, Antarctic: Penguins, orca, seals, Habitats, changing, endangered, melting, warming, pollution, protect

Literacy	<p>Introduce the new topic – ‘Animals & their babies’ – Share Curriculum map. What do we know already about animals?</p> <p>Stories – Monkey Puzzle Julia Donaldson Baby Animals – Usborne Beginners The Tadpole’s Promise Jeanne Willis The Very Hungry Caterpillar Eric Carle The Odd Egg Emily Gravett</p> <p>TALK4WRITING- Peace at Last by Jill Murphy</p> <p>PHONICS- Letters and Sounds Rhythm and Rhyme – Rhyming Books</p>	<p>Stories – A Squash & a Squeeze Julia Donaldson What the ladybird Heard Julia Donaldson Noisy Farm Rod Campbell Peppa at the Petting Farm. That’s not my.... Usborne Board books</p> <p>TALK4WRITING- Peace at Last by Jill Murphy</p> <p>PHONICS- - Letters and Sounds Rhythm and Rhyme – Rhyming Soup</p>	<p>Stories – The Woodland Book Usborne, Night and Day Usborne Beginners The Woodland Trust: Into the forest Christian Dorian. Tidy Emily Gravett. My First Book of Woodland Zoe Ingram Wild Emily Hughes</p> <p>TALK4WRITING- Peace at Last by Jill Murphy</p> <p>PHONICS- - Letters and Sounds Rhythm and Rhyme – Rhyming Bingo</p>	<p>Draw pictures and write letters to The King and the Queen Consort, describing how they are celebrating the coronation in their setting.</p> <p>Playing a coronation themed rhyming game in a small group. Give the children a starting word, such as ‘king’, ‘crown’, or ‘throne’. Go around the circle and ask each child to think of a word that rhymes with the starting word. How many words in a row can the children think of?</p> <p>TALK4WRITING- Minibeasts and their homes</p> <p>PHONICS-- Letters and Sounds Alliteration - I spy names</p>	<p>Stories – Non- Fiction text about animals See inside weather & Climate Usborne. Over and Under (series) Kate Messner Hoot & Howl across the Dessert Vassiliki The snail and the whale Julia Donaldson Dear Zoo Rod Campbell</p> <p>TALK4WRITING- Minibeasts and their homes</p> <p>PHONICS-- Letters and Sounds Alliteration - Making Aliens</p>	<p>Stories – The Polar Bears Home Lara Bergen The Last Polar Bear Jean Craighead George A Melting Planet Yasmin Kinsley Climate Change DK Find out Lost and Found Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>TALK4WRITING- Minibeasts and their homes</p> <p>PHONICS- - Letters and Sounds Alliteration – Digging for treasure</p>
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Mathematics	<p>NCTEM -Number Blocks Series 1-The Terrible Twos</p> <p>2D shapes.</p>	<p>NCTEM -Number Blocks Series 1 - Holes</p> <p>Repeating patterns</p>	<p>NCTEM -Number Blocks I-Series 1 - Hide & Seek</p> <p>3D shapes</p>	<p>Offer photos of some of the famous London landmarks that will feature during the coronation, such as Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace. Provide 3D shapes for the children to recreate their own versions.</p> <p>Hide some plastic gems in a sand tray for the children to collect and count. They could record how many they have found by writing on a mini whiteboard, either using numerals or their own symbols.</p>	<p>NCTEM -Number Blocks Series 2-Number 6</p> <p>Positional language</p>	<p>NCTEM -Number Blocks – Series 2-Number 7</p> <p>Money-coins</p>
Understanding of the World	<p><i>PKC- Animals and Their Babies</i></p> <p><i>I know all animals have babies</i></p> <p><i>I know not all animal babies look like their parents.</i></p>	<p><i>PKC- Animals and Their Babies</i></p> <p><i>Some animals live on farms</i></p> <p><i>Many farms animals are born in spring time</i></p>	<p><i>PKC- Animals and Their Babies</i></p> <p><i>Many different animals live in woodland.</i></p> <p><i>We must protect woodland habitats</i></p>	<p>Look at some Photos of King Charles III from different points of his life. Could the children work together to sequence them into the correct order?</p> <p>Make nature crowns for the coronation by offering each child a long strip of card or paper and attaching double-sided sticky tape. The children can gather natural materials from the outside area and attach them to the paper.</p>	<p><i>PKC- Animals and Their Babies</i></p> <p><i>Many wild animals live around the world</i></p> <p><i>Some animals are endangered and need protection.</i></p>	<p><i>PKC- Animals and Their Babies</i></p> <p><i>Some animals live in extremely cold in places on earth.</i></p> <p><i>People around the world are trying to protect animal homes.</i></p>

Physical Development	<p>Move like different animals -baby animals and adults.</p> <p>Life Cycle of a Frog - Frog Jumps, wriggle like tadpoles, etc.</p> <p>Twinkl Jumping Frogs Parachute Game</p> <p>5 Little Speckled Frog song - Tracing activity</p>	<p>Hook a duck/catch a duck in a net activity.</p> <p>Twinkl Cut and Stick Farm Animal</p> <p>Cornflour & Brown paint - Muddy farm play – animals/tractors</p> <p>Old MacDonald – Farm animal puppets (use to sing along with).</p>	<p>Create a Hedgehog – Clay – Spaghetti/Match sticks.</p> <p>Talk about animal homes - Prepositional language – where do they live in a tree, under a bush, etc. Obstacle course – going through a tunnel, under the climbing frame.</p>	<p>Decorate your outdoor area for the coronation by weaving red, white or blue fabric in and out of a fence.</p> <p>Provide coronation-themed party plates and bowls along with modelling dough for the children to make and serve their own royal ‘banquet’.</p> <p>During your coronation celebrations, make a long line of tables and cover with wallpaper or a paper tablecloth. Offer red, blue, silver and gold pens and pencils for the children to use to decorate the paper with patterns and coronation-themed pictures, such as crowns, thrones, palaces and flags.</p> <p>Play traditional music, such as 'Zadok the Priest' by Handel, and invite the children to create sequences of movements. Can they move in a regal way, like a king or queen? Perhaps they could march like a royal guard or gallop like one of The King’s horses?</p>	<p>Moving like wild Animals. What are the features of the animals? Move fast, climb, crawl, stomp, etc.</p>	<p>Frozen animals. Use ‘tools’ to explore different ways of getting them out of the ice.</p>
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Expressive Arts and Design	<p>Paintings of holiday news.</p> <p>Introduce Role Play - Vets</p> <p>Sing 5 Little Speckled Frogs</p> <p>Monkey Puzzle Story – Julia Donaldson – Children draw/paint the missing animal described – He’s got four legs. a trunk, two ears, etc.</p> <p>Make animal masks from story to use during role play</p> <p>Look at the Lifecycle of Frog – Create frog spawn/tadpoles – bubble wrap.</p>	<p>Create ‘That’s not my....’ pictures using textured pictures.</p> <p>Paper plate animals (mask)</p> <p>Sing Old Macdonald had a farm –</p> <p>Farm animal – handprint sheep, pigs</p>	<p>Owl Babies – create own owls using white paint/feathers</p> <p>Fork printing hedgehogs</p>	<p>Add a variety of crowns and royal-themed dressing-up clothes to your role-play area, such as cloaks and dresses so the children can dress up as kings, queens, princes and princesses.</p> <p>Challenge the children to create a royal carriage for King Charles III from junk-modelling materials. Provide dowelling rods and simple wheels or cotton reels so that the carriages will move.</p> <p>Hold a royal procession around your outdoor area, with the children wearing crowns that they have created. Offer untuned percussion instruments for the children to play to a steady beat as they parade around.</p>	<p>Painting using stripes/spots to represent the different animal patterns.</p>	<p>Polar Bear & Artic pictures</p> <p>Painting with coloured ice cubes</p>
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