



To understand our world we will...

- Talking about our experiences of seeing animals
- Exploring animals from different parts of the world
- Discovering the wild animals that live amongst us in Elkesley
- Learning what animals need in the wild and ways we can help them



To develop our communication and language we will...

- Engaging in a variety of books – both fiction and non fiction
- Listen and respond to instructions
- Recall and retell stories using signs and symbols
- Learn new topic related vocabulary and use it in our imaginative play
- Ask questions to find out more



To become readers and writers we will...

- Continue our daily phonics and reading – Reception
- Learn new animal themed songs with actions – extending our vocabulary, listening skills and recall – Nursery
- Join in with repeated refrains as books become familiar to us
- Mark make and label animals we know and love

To help us regulate our feelings and build relationships we will...

- Develop our sense of responsibility
- Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are important.
- Remember rules without needing an adult to remind us.

Our mini topic is

'Walk on the Wild Side'

This half term we will taking a 'walk on the wild side' through the lands of wild animals. We will read books linked to this topic regularly, with our enhancements being based on the wonderful world we live.

To develop our gross and fine motor skills we will...

- Be using tweezers to pick up and move small objects
- Be using our whole bodies to move like wild animals
- Be learning simple movement routines

To be part of Lenny's Learning Zoo (linked to our school values) we will be...

- Go for it Gorilla – developing our **resilience**
- Proud Peacocks – showing off our **talents**



To become mini mathematicians we will...

- Be learning what '0' is and how to recognise both the numeral and the amount - Reception
- Be subitising to 3 – Nursery
- Be exploring 1 more and 1 less
- Be using number names spontaneously in play - Nursery

To develop our creative skills we will...

- Have opportunities to explore materials freely and use these to represent our ideas
- Take on roles in imaginary play