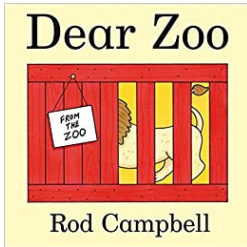


Nursery - Spring 2 - Animals



	Communication and Language	Physical Development	Personal, Social and Emotional Development
Prime Areas	<p>This half term the children will engage in a large range of stories, songs and nursery rhymes about animals to develop their communication skills. We will be encouraging the children to communicate their thoughts and needs independently. We will also use our Colourful Semantics scheme to help the children to construct well-formed sentences.</p>	<p>To coincide with our story The Little Red Hen, the children will be following a recipe to make bread this half term. They will use their fine and gross motor skills to manipulate the ingredients and will talk about the importance of a healthy lifestyle for children and grown ups. We will taste test what we have baked and practise using knives and forks independently.</p>	<p>This half term, we will be developing our understanding of our own feelings such as happiness, sadness, anger and worry. We will also be using the story of The Little Red Hen to discuss how our actions can affect how other people are feeling.</p>



	Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
Specific Areas	<p>In our Literacy sessions, we will have two main focuses this half term: Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell and The Little Red Hen. We will be using story maps and actions to retell the story and will change certain parts of the story map to make our own verbal stories.</p> <p>In our phonics sessions, some of the children will begin learning their phase 2 sounds, listening for sounds in words and having a go at representing these sounds.</p>	<p>In our Maths sessions this half term, we will be focussing on Numerical Patterns. We will develop our positional and directional language to discuss where certain objects are, and will use our building knowledge to describe familiar routes and locations.</p> <p>We will also begin to explore the measurement of size and weight, using comparative language to discuss differences.</p>	<p>This half term we will be learning about lots of different animals such as pets, woodland animals, farm animals and jungle animals. We will talk about where different animals live and will also be learning about the life cycle of some animals such as birds and frogs.</p> <p>We will also be observing the life cycle of a chick when we have real life eggs that will hatch in Nursery this half term!</p>	<p>This half term, the children will explore different types of movement for different animals. We will learn a range of nursery rhymes and familiar songs about different animals and use instruments to play alongside these.</p> <p>We will also be exploring a range of artistic media such as paint, charcoal, chalks and pastels to create our own representations of different types of animals.</p>

