

NEWS #10 – JUNE 2026: SUMMER TERM

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WEEK	DATE	LEARNING & INTEREST FOCUS FOR STORIES, SONGS & ACTIVITIES			CELEBRATIONS / EVENTS	wk
JUNE		TOPIC: WIDER WORLD				
		CUB	BEAR	SWAN		
1	2 - 5	Dinosaurs	Dinosaurs	Dinosaurs: Carnivore or herbivore?	3 rd Starting School meeting	1
2	9 - 12					
3	16 - 19	Down in the Jungle	Jungle Animals	Jungle and Wild Animals around the World	Daddy's Stay & Play	3
4	23 - 25					



EVENTS THIS MONTH ...

STARTING SCHOOL MEETING FOR SWAN PARENTS: 3rd June: Further information in Swan email.

PARENT MEETINGS #3: These will be face to face or FaceTime meetings: BEARS week 1st June, CUBS week 8th June, SWANS week 15th June.

DADDY'S STAY & PLAY: 17, 18 & 19 June: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for Swan, Bear & Cub Daddy's 2:45 pm to 3:45 pm.

TOPIC – Dinosaurs & In the Jungle: What your child will be learning at nursery this month ...And how you can mirror, extend & support their learning at home...

What all the children will be thinking about and learning	Home learning for the cubs ...	Home learning for the bears ...	Home learning for the swans ...
<p>What do we already know about dinosaurs? Do you know any dinosaur names? How do they move? Fast/slow/stomping/swishing tails? Talk about similarities and differences. Which has horns, wings, a long neck, plates on their back? Talk about what they eat – the meat eaters and the plant eaters. 5 x key dinosaurs: Triceratops, stegosaurus, Pterodactyl, T Rex, diplodocus</p> <p>Look at different wild animals habitats, what is it like there? Hot, cold, lots of trees etc. Have you seen these animals before? Act out being wild animals – take turns to act out a chosen animal - other children to guess. Pretend to go on an adventure in the jungle. What animals will we see?</p>	<p>Introduce Nursery phrases and signs at home "Animal" and "Game"</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>Try playing an "animal" "game" at home together...</p> <p>Hide some animals around the house or garden and go on an animal hunt together – "walking through the jungle, what do you see?" Don't forget a telescope to spy the animals, a sun hat & a back pack to put the animals in. If you haven't got animal toys, try drawing some pictures instead. Compare what animals you found – did you find an animal with a trunk? It's called an elephant. Can your child fill the gap? And make the noise?</p>	<p>Try playing an "animal" "game" at home together with your bear ...</p> <p>Gather up some jungle animals or dinosaurs and put them into a box. If you haven't got animal toys, try drawing some pictures instead.</p> <p>Sing: "Here's a box, and here's a lid, I wonder whatever inside it is hid? Open the lid and see what's inside ..." – peek inside and describe to your bear. Play the game with wild animals or dinosaurs.</p> <p>Can you guess this jungle animal ... ? It has a long trunk ... This animal has stripes... This animal jumps.</p> <p>Can you guess this dinosaur... ? It has three horns and it likes to charge! It has spines all along his back? It is the biggest dinosaur with big sharp teeth!</p>	<p>Make some time for reflection...</p> <p>Play with dinosaurs and look at dinosaur books together, what do they already know about dinosaurs? What else would they like to know? How can you find out? Using books or the internet. Would they like to meet a dinosaur?</p> <p>Think about what the world was like when the dinosaurs lived there, what has happened to them? What would it be like if dinosaurs were still around today?</p> <p>Discuss the word extinct. What animals do we have to save and protect today? How?</p> <p>Look at some video clips of animals they know and a few new ones too. Talk together about where they live (their habitat) - What does it look like there? What food do they eat and why? Can you find the country the animal is from on a map/globe?</p>