Personal, Social and Emotion

In circle time we will be talking about how we show care and concern for our friends and family. During S&T the children will be talking about their own pets and how they care for them. The children will be encouraged to ask appropriate questions and listen carefully to their friends.

Communication and Language

We will be reading and talking about the story Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell. The children will come up with ideas for their own versions of the story. They will be making lists of the different types of animals you find at the zoo. They will then use adjectives to describe these animals. We will watch a Day in the Life of a Zoo keeper and discuss how we take care of our pets.

Physical Development

The children will be continuing to work on their dance skills with Mrs Smith on a Wednesday morning and Gymnastics on Friday morning with me. Our fine motor control activity this week is threading. The children will continue to work on developing correct letter formation.

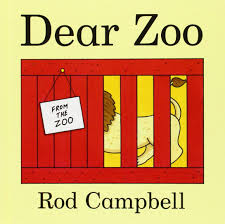
Literacy

We will be recapping the diagraphs sh, th, ch and ng. The children will also be looking at the high frequency words they, was and you. Keep your eyes out for a new hfw sheet coming home. This week guided write will be writing a version of Dear Zoo. We will be learning the names of the letters and the formation of capital letters. All of the children are now working in Guided Reading groups and will be heard this week. We are working on developing the children’s ability to tackle unknown words by sounding them out.

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Understanding of the World

The children will be learning how to use the iPod and docking station to choose music to sing, dance or just listen to. We will be talking about where we can find information on animal care. We will use this opportunity to talk about internet safety with the children.

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Mathematics

This week I will be assessing the children’s numeric understanding.

The children will be looking at 3D shapes in our environment and learning the properties of each shape. We will continue to work on practical addition and subtraction sums to ten.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will listen to the Going to the Zoo songs. They will be looking at colour mixing and creating shade of different colours. This week we will be working on a special piece of art.

Parental Involvement Ideas

This week the children will be talking about their own pets. If the children have a photograph of their pet, they could bring in and share that would be great.