

Creative Home Learning Ideas

Paws, claws and whiskers



Below are some ideas based around our new topic. Please read the ideas to your child and let them choose which activities they would like to complete at home with you or on their own.

- Make a scrapbook all about your pet, or a belonging to someone you know. What is the pet's name? What type and breed of animal is it? Add photographs and information about interesting things they do or things they need to stay healthy.
- Find out about your family and friends different pets. Record the results as a block graph or pictograph and highlight which type of pet is most popular.
- Find out about unusual pets using non-fiction books and the web. Download a photograph of the most interesting pet and write their name. What does it eat? How should it be cared for?
- Follow instructions to make a bird feeder for your garden. Then watch out every day for bird visitors!
- Choose an endangered animal to draw or paint. Find out where it lives and why it is endangered.
- Make an animal mask or hat using recycled materials.
- Write out your favourite animal nursery rhyme or poem in your best handwriting. Illustrate it, then practise reading it aloud with lots of expression.
- Draw or paint the camouflage markings of a range of animals such as leopards, giraffes or tigers. Why does each animal have those particular markings?
- Collect some 'Amazing Animal Facts' about fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals! Which animal is the fastest, heaviest or strongest? Write down the most exciting facts!
- Locate on a world map or globe where all your favourite animals come from in the world. What type of weather would you get in each country?

Have fun and just call in and ask any of the Year 1 team if you have any queries regarding the home learning activities.