



Nurturing Nature Focus Overview Pre-School

At Our Lady
and
St. Hubert's,
home, school
and parish
work
together,
knowing that
God is with
us in all we
do



Nurturing Nature: Engaging and Taking Responsibility Pre School – Caring for the Animals



Throughout this focus children will be exploring and developing their understanding of how they can care for animals and look after nature.

They will begin to develop an understanding of how they can show care and concern for all living things and the environment. Through Understanding the World children will begin to think and talk about what they have seen in the natural world and through this how they can look after the environment which will in turn look after animals.

Theme Impact

Children will gain an understanding of the need to look after both animals and the environment that they live in, and how they can do their part to support and develop this.

Catholic Social Teaching

To begin to understand our role as Stewards for God's creations, how we can look after and care for all things.

To begin to understand that God's creations belong to all people and that it is everybody's responsibility to look after them.

Curriculum Drivers

Understanding the world

Early Years Objectives

- **UW** – Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal.
- **UW_** – Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.

Physical Development

Early Years Objectives

PD – Move our bodies in similar ways to animals.

Personal, social and emotional development

Early Years Objectives

- **PSED** – Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of their setting.
- **PSED** – Show more confidence in new social situations.

Application

Creating a “vets” to develop an understanding of how to care and look after animals.

Other EYFS curriculum Opportunities

Writing

Reading

Creating posters about pollution in the sea.

Dear Zoo (T4W)

Technology – application of previously taught skills

Zoom call to a real life vet.

Enrichment

Litter pick of the Forest School/playground area.
Zoom call to vet.

Home Learning

To look at what animals you have in your garden and think about how we can care for them.

Evaluation Notes

Others objectives to be covered this term

Physical Development

- Skip, hop, stand on one leg and hold a pose for a game like musical statues.
- Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks.

Communication and language

- Use a wider range of vocabulary.
- Start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns.

Cooking in the Curriculum

Chocolate nests