

SRP Curriculum Map

Autumn 1 2026



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in all its fullness.

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and never give up."
Hebrews 12:1

Curriculum

The curriculum in the SRP is highly personalised and designed around each pupil's individual strengths, needs and aspirations. Learning priorities are informed by outcomes identified within EHCPs, ICPs, and recommendations from external professionals, including Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Educational Psychologists and Specialist Teachers. Through a total communication approach and the Cherry Garden Curriculum framework, pupils access meaningful learning experiences that support progress in communication, cognition, physical development, personal, social and emotional development, independence and preparation for adulthood.

English & Communication

- Attention and listening
- Turn taking
- Making choices
- Requesting preferred items
- Commenting and labelling
- Following simple instructions
- Developing vocabulary linked to animals
- Animal role play
- Choice boards
- Attention Autism sessions
- Animal sound matching
- Communicating wants and needs during sensory exploration
- Shared reading with symbols and repetitive phrases



Mathematics

Number

- Counting animals to 5 or 10
- Matching quantities
- One more/one less (where appropriate)
- Number songs

Shape, Space and Measure

- Animal sorting
- Big/small jungle animals
- Pattern making using animal prints
- Comparing size and length

Sensory Maths

- Counting animals in sensory trays
- Jungle themed treasure hunts
- Matching symbol to quantity



Theme

All Things Wild! invites pupils to explore the exciting world of wild animals and their habitats through meaningful communication, sensory experiences, play-based learning, and hands-on activities that promote development across the Cherry Garden areas of Communication, Cognition, Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development.



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Understanding the World

Exploring Wild Animals

- Jungle animals
- Safari animals
- Animals that live in trees
- Animals that live in water

Science Skills

- Observe animal features
- Compare fur, skin, feathers and scales
- Explore habitats
- Learn what animals eat

Outdoor Learning

- Animal hunts
- Den building
- Mini-beast exploration
- Forest School animal tracks

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Social Interaction

- Play alongside peers
- Participate in shared activities
- Develop turn-taking skills
- Engage in cooperative games
- Request support appropriately
- Recognise emotions in themselves and others

Emotional Regulation

- Daily sensory circuits
- Zones of Regulation activities
- Calm corner access
- Animal breathing exercises
- Identifying feelings using symbols and visuals

Physical Development

Gross Motor

- Jungle obstacle courses
- Animal movement sessions
- Parachute games
- Forest School exploration

Animal Movements

- Stomping like an elephant
- Slithering like a snake
- Swinging like a monkey
- Prowling like a tiger
- Hopping like a frog

Fine Motor

- Tweezers and animal sorting
- Playdough animal tracks
- Peg activities
- Threading jungle animals
- Mark making in sensory materials

Expressive Arts & Design

Art

- Animal print painting
- Handprint jungle animals
- Collage animal masks
- Leaf printing

Music

- Animal action songs
- Jungle rhythm instruments
- Listening and responding to nature sounds

Music

- Jungle sensory trays
- Mud, leaves and natural materials
- Water play with aquatic animals
- Animal-themed sensory stories

