



# The Tour for Guided Visits

A visit to the zoo is a cross-curricular experience with relevance to many subject areas of the curriculum.

## Baby Animals and their families

What are baby animals called?  
 How do their parents care for them?  
 How is this different/the same as the care humans parents give to their children?  
 How do babies grow?  
 What is inside an egg?  
 Lifecycles- Chicken

## Colour-Shape-Pattern

What colours/patterns are the animals?  
 How do animals use colour and pattern?  
 (Camouflage, to display, to communicate)

## Numeracy

Number of animals in an enclosure, how many ears, legs etc do they have?  
 Counting in 1's, 2's, 4's  
 Measurement comparisons:  
 Smaller, larger, fatter, taller, heavier, lighter etc

## Caring for Animals

What do animals need?  
 Food, water, warmth, shelter, stimulation.  
 How do we provide it?

## Animal Eating Habits

What kind of food is eaten by the animals in the zoo?  
 Do they eat the same or different food from us?  
 Where does their/our food come from?  
 How do they eat their food?  
 What do they use for a knife and fork?  
  
 (Classification, omnivore, carnivore, insectivore, herbivore)

# ANIMALS

## Environments and Habitats

The animals in the zoo can be found in different places in the world.  
 Explore the meaning of:  
 Forest, woods, field, desert, jungle, river etc.  
 Explore the natural worlds found:  
 Under ground, under water, in the treetops, under stones etc.  
  
 Classification:  
 Nocturnal, Diurnal and crepuscular.

## Animal parts and adaptation

How do we move around?  
 How do animals move around?  
 (crawl, walk, run, fly, swim, slither, slide etc)  
 How do we use our hands?  
 What do animals use instead?  
 (hands, paws, claws, wings etc)  
 How do we keep warm/cool?  
 How do animals keep warm/cool?  
 (skin, fur, feathers, scales)  
  
 Classification: Mammal, bird, reptile through observation.  
 Insect & amphibian through discussion.



The tour touches on aspects of the topics in the diagram but if required can be tailored to highlight a particular subject area.