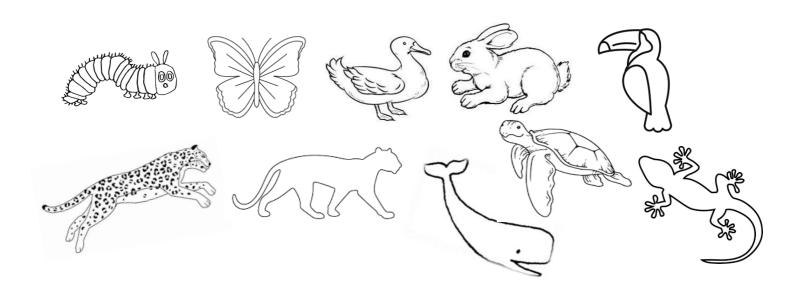


Rainbow

Day Plan and Timetables

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Caterpillars Day Outline Plan

This is a loose outline for the day. Staff organise the day flexibly and respond to children's needs dynamically.

Babies from 3 months

Children this age will take up to 4 naps a day during nursery, and this will usually be according to their own schedule. They will usually be hungry and eat when they wake, or soon after. Exploring the room, discovering the play centres and university areas will provide stimulation, whilst warm and regular interactions with the adults will help them to feel secure and will support development.

Babies from 6 – 9 months old

Throughout the day children this age will have 2 to 3 opportunities to rest according to their natural schedule. Play will have a stronger focus on supporting their fine and gross motor skills. Children will begin to move around the room more and explore the different play zones within the classroom. Most of the day is still based on free play and exploration, but with guidance, support, and warm interactions with staff. We start to introduce more singing, storytelling, and rhymes at this age throughout the day, and we make at least once daily visits to our garden, sometimes more. Children at this age will also start to transition to solid foods, so we spend extended periods with children around the eating zone of the classroom, encouraging them to explore and develop a healthy relationship with food.

Overall approach

The day remains very flexible, there will usually be children eating, playing, and sleeping simultaneously in the room. We have a strong focus on working with children's individual routines, pace, and rhythm within the Caterpillars class. The base of the day is very much around free play, exploring the room, resources and materials on offer at their own pace. Adult led activities are included within the scheme of the day, to enhance and provide a different style of engagement.

Adult led activities

These can last anything from 10-15 minutes up to an hour, and can involve very few children at a time, or groups of children together, depending on the activity. Children are able to flow in and out of the adult led activities as they wish according to their level of interest, engagement and stimulation. We aim to provide 2 adult-initiated activities in the morning, and two in the afternoons. This sometimes varies depending on the needs of the children, and what else is happening in the room! These activities are at no set time, they take place when the time is 'right' according to children's sleeping and eating patterns. Below shows the weekly cycle of adult led activities:

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	
AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Messy	Baby	Playdough	Music	Ice Play	Ribbons	Messy	OUTSIDE	Painting	Heuristic
Play	Massage				and Scarfs	Play	Waterplay		Play
Puppets	Things to	Large	Blowing	Un-	Balls	Hide-n-	Bags-	How does	Playdough
	Smell	Fabric	Bubbles	wrapping		seek	filling and	it feel?	
		play				objects/	emptying	Stroking	
						cups		on my	
								skin	





Butterflies Day Outline Plan

This is a loose outline for the day. Staff organise the day flexibly and respond to children's needs dynamically.

From 7:30	Free Play on the carpet and Adult led activity		
	8:10 – 8:40 Activity 1 (Story, Music or Fine Motor Activity)		
8:00 – 9:00	Sleepers at one side of the classroom or in sleep room		
8:30 – 9:30	Snack on offer		
9:30 – 10:15	Nappy changes (sleepers when waking up)		
9:30 – 11:00	Free play and Adult led Activity		
	9:45 – 11:00 Activity 2 (Messy, Sensory Play or Garden)		
11:00 – 12:00	Circle/Song Time, Lunch and then sleep		
13:00 – 15:00	Wake up, Nappy change		
	13:05 – 14:00 Optional Rainbow Room or Garden Activity 3		
2:00 – 4:00	Free Play and choosing from activities:		
	2:00 – 2:30 Activity 4 (Sensory Play, Art or Music)		
	2:30 – 3:15 Afternoon Snack		

From 3:15 Changing nappies and getting ready for going home

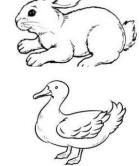
4:00 – 4:30 Story or music time on one carpet, Free play continues.

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	
AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Messy Play	Music	Playdough	Filling and Emptying	Ice Play	Obstacle Course	Messy Play	Mark Making	Painting	OUTSIDE Waterplay
Dressing up from Meadows	Magazin e and Newspap er Plav	Mark Making	Movement /Dance	Things to Smell	Fruit Peel play	Puppets	Tactile Box	Large Fabric play	Heuristic Play



Meadows Day Plan

Ducks and Rabbits Classes



7:30 - 8:30 - Activity 1 on the Rug | Fine motor, Shape, Space, Number development

- Marking Making in activity area

8:15 – 9:30 - Sleepers at the back half of the class

9:00 – 11:15 - Garden open and free play opportunities available, and adult led activities:

8:10 - 9:15ish - Rolling Snack on offer

9:45- 11:00 Free play and Adult led activities:

9:45 – 11:00 – Nappy changes gradually in colour groups

9:45 – 10:45 - Activity 2 – Painting or messy play, Tabletop or Floor

10:00 – 11:00 - Activity 3 - Sensory Play in the Garden

11:00 - 11:15 - Circle time

11:15 – 11:35 –Lunch, and then sleep

From 2:00 - Wake up, Nappy change and choosing:

2:00 – 3:15 - Afternoon Snack on offer

2:00 – 3:50 - Outside open, and children can flow in and out

2:30 – 3:30 - Activity 5 – Outside | Physical development

3:15 – 3:50 - Activity 6 – Tabletop Activity (Adult Led)

3:50-4:00 - Tidy up time outside

4:05 – 4:30 Story Time in the cosy corner for children who want, free play inside continues





Jaguars' Day Plan

7:30 – 9:10	Coming in & Choosing			
	Rolling Snack on offer from 8:10			
	Activity 1 – Fine Motor on the carpet			
9:10 - 9:20	Morning Meeting			
9:20 - 9:45	Choosing from Learning Stations & Adult Led Activities:			
	Activity 3 – Cooking			
	Activity 4 – Sorting/Categorising			
9:45 - 10:20	Outside Play – Lower Deck Area, Rainbow Room			
	Activity 2 – Music/Movement/Dance (Rainbow Room)			
10:20 - 11:00	Choosing from Learning Stations			
	Activity 5 – Painting			
	From 10:30 - Nappies & Toileting			
11:00 – 11:30	Outside Play			
	On the Deck			
11:30 - 11:45	Circle Time			
11:45 onwards	Midday Routine			
	Lunch, then rest/sleep time			
1:45 ish	Waking up and Choosing:			
onwards	Nappy change/toileting on waking Choose from: Malleable table, Carpet			
	Play, Sensory Table			
2:15 onwards	Garden Opens			
	Activity 6 – Physical Development			
2:30 onwards	Rolling Snack Table Opens			
2:45 - 3:15	Activity 7 – Mark Making on offer			
3:15 - 3:55	Mixed Classed within the unit			
	Free play across the unit; with a focused activity every day for a different			
	colour group - Activity 8 & Activity 9 Dance/Yoga Movement on offer			
3:55	Back to own Classes			
4:00 - 4:30	Going Home Routine			
	Story Time on one rug & Construction & Block play on another rug			
	Children called from rugs as parents arrive at the door			





7:30 - 9:00	Coming in & Choosing		
	Rolling Snack on offer from 8:10		
	Activity 4 – Sorting/Categorising		
9:00 - 9:10	Morning Meeting		
9:10 - 9:50	Outside Play – Lower Deck Area, Rainbow Room		
	Activity 2 – Music/Movement/Dance (Rainbow Room)		
9:50 - 10:25	Choosing from Learning Stations & Adult Led Activities:		
	Activity 1 – Fine Motor on the carpet		
	Activity 5 – Cooking		
10:25 – 11:00	Choosing from Learning Stations & Adult Led Activities:		
	Activity 3 – Painting		
	From 10:30 - Nappies & Toileting		
11:00 – 11:30	Outside Play		
	On the deck		
11:30 – 11:45	Circle Time		
11:45 onwards	Midday Routine		
	Lunch, then rest/sleep time		
1:45 ish	Waking up and Choosing:		
onwards	Nappy change/toileting on waking Choose from: Malleable table, Carpet		
	Play, Sensory Table		
2:15 onwards	Garden Opens		
Activity 6 – Physical Development			
2:30 onwards	Rolling Snack Table Opens		
2:45 – 3:15	Activity 7 – Mark Making on offer		
3:15 – 3:55	Mixed Classed within the unit		
	Free play across the unit; with a focused activity every day for a different		
	colour group - Activity 8 & Activity 9 Dance/Yoga Movement on offer		
3:55	Back to own Classes		
4:00 – 4:30	Going Home Routine		
	Story Time on one rug & Construction & Block play on another rug		
	Children called from rugs as parents arrive at the door		

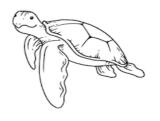




Toucans' and Geckos' Day Plan

Time	Activity				
	Toucans	Geckos			
8:10 - 9:10	Rolling Snack on Offer	Rolling Snack on Offer			
8:30 - 9:00	Cooking – Adult Led (Activity 7)	Cooking – Adult Led (Activity 7)			
8:50 - 9:20	Outside Play	Rooftop			
9:20-9:30	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting			
9:30 – 10:30	Activity Rotation 1. Phonics/Language (Activity 1) 2. Maths/Counting (Activity 2) 3. Knowledge & Understanding of the world (Activity 3) 4. Guided play - → Fine motor (Activity 6)				
10:30 – 11:10	Free play & Flow-In/Out Activities on offer: Painting, (Activity 5) Toileting/Nappies	Outside play & Rainbow Room (Activity 4)			
11:10 – 11:50	Outside play & Rainbow Room (Activity 4)	Free play & Flow-In/Out Activities on offer: Painting, (Activity 5) Toileting/Nappies			
11:50 - 12:05	Circle Time	Outside play Ducks Garden			
12:05 – 12:20	Lunch in Toucans	Circle Time- Ducks class/Rainbow room			
12:20 onwards	Sleep and Rest	Lunch, Sleep and Rest Lunch, then rest/sleep time			
1:45 ish – 3:10	Waking up and Choosing: As children wake up choose from: Classroom learning stations, Cosy corner, Garden/Rainbow Room Rolling snack on offer from 2pm – 3pm				
3:15 – 3:55	1. Rainbow Room – Child Led 2. Art in Geckos – Adult Led (Activity 8) 3. Dance/Music/Movement in Toucans - Adult Led (Activity 9) 4. Puzzles/Fine motor in Geckos – Adult Initiated (Activity 10) Children are free to float between the two classrooms, they choose the activity they want to 'start' but can then move around. The floater brings children Rainbow Room back to class and visa versa				
3:55	Back to Own Class Large Rug area	Back to Own Class Large Rug area			
4:00 – 4:30	Home time Routine Story and Construction play; going home as parents arrive	Home time Routine Story and Construction play; going home as parents arrive			







7:30 – 9:00	Coming in choosing Register and name practice, then choosing from the learning stations set up	Both Classrooms	
8:00 – 9:00	Rolling Snack on Offer Adult led activity on offer	Whales Room	
9:00 - 9:10	Morning meeting	Turtle's Room	
9:10 - 9:45	Rainbow Room Free Play	Rainbow Room	
9:45 – 10:30	Choosing: (Adult Led and Child Initiated) 1. Cooking Activity (Activity 1) 2. Art Activity (Activity 2) 3. Free play from learning centres	Turtle's Room	
10:30 - 11:30	UNIT ROTATION 1. Maths/counting (Activity 3) 2. Phonics (Activity 4) 3. Language (Activity 5) 4. Science (Activity 6)	Turtle's Room and Whale's Room	
11:30 – 11:55	Outside time Free Play and Optional Physical challenge activity (Activity 7)	Rainbow Room, and lower decks	
12:00 -12:15	Circle Time	Whales Room	
12:15 – 12:35	Lunch time	Whales Room	
12:40 onwards	Rest and sleep	Turtle's Room	
1:10 onwards	Rising up and Choosing: Choosing from Whales Learning Centres & Outside if available	Whales Room Duck Pond Garden	
2:30 ish – 3:30	Focused Learning Hour: Carpet teaching time & Tabletop activities (Activity 8) Snack available on table	Whales Room	
3:30 - 3:50	Outside time	Roof	
3:50 - 4:00	Back to own class & Goodbye Day Recap	Turtle's Room	
4:00 – 4:15	Story time	Turtle's Room	
4:15 – 4:30	Home time & Partner Time – Share books, card games or puzzles with a partner	Turtle's Room	

Ocean Class

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Whales' Day Plan

7.20 0.45	Consider in the saint	
7:30 – 8:45	Coming in choosing	
	Register and name practice, then choosing	Whales' Room
	from the learning stations set up & Preparing	
0.00 0.00	Snack	
8:00 – 9:00	Rolling Snack on Offer	Whales Room
0.00 0.40	Adult led activity on offer	
9:00 – 9:40	Morning Meeting	Whales' Room
	Carpet teaching, Morning Phonics, Language games	Wilales Room
9:45 – 10:30	Rainbow Room & Apparatus play	
3.43 10.30	Outside & Free Play	Rainbow Room/Decks
10:30 – 11:30	UNIT ROTATION	
10.30 – 11.30	1. Maths/counting (Activity 3)	
	2. Phonics (Activity 4)	Turtle's Room and
	3. Language (Activity 5)	Whales' Room
	4. Science (Activity 6)	
11:30 – 12:00	Free Play	
11.50 12.00	Choosing from: Construction, Small World,	Whales' Room
	Mark Making, Free Art, Malleable Offering	Wilaics Room
12:00 -12:20	Outside & Rainbow Room	
12.00 -12.20	Free outside Play on Deck and into Rainbow	Decks and Rainbow Room
	Room	Decks and Nambow Noom
12:20 – 12:45	Maths	
	Carpet teaching time, then active Maths in the	Rainbow Room
	Rainbow Room	
12:45 – 1:15	Lunch	Turtles' Room
1:15 – 2:00	Free Play & Choosing	
	Role play area open, and other learning	Turtles' Room
	stations in the Turtle Classroom	
2:00 - 2:20	Quiet Time	T. dlad Dana
	Individual Book time, then puzzles or pillows	Turtles' Room
2:20 - 2:40	Cooking or Roof	Turble of Decree on Decre
	Green Group Cooking, Yellow Group Roof	Turtles' Room or Roof
2:40 - 3:00	Cooking or Roof	Turbles' Dears on Deaf
	Yellow Group Cooking, Green Group Roof	Turtles' Room or Roof
3:00 – 3:50	Art & Free play	
	Adult Led Art project on offer, and choosing	Turtles' Room
	from around the Turtles Room	13.000
3:50 – 4:00	Back to own class & Day Recap	Whales' Room
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4:00 - 4:15	Story time	Whales' Room
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4:00 – 4:15 4:15 – 4:30	Home time & Partner Time – Share books, card games or puzzles with a partner	Whales' Room Whales' Room