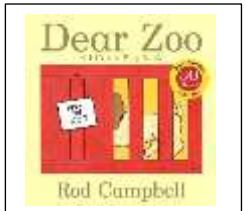




# Southridge First School

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This week we have been reading the story 'Dear Zoo'. The children have enjoyed joining in with the story and we even added our own actions to help us remember all the different describing words for the animals. For our Monday Challenge this week we asked the children to work in small teams and build a home for the animal they would like to receive from the zoo. We encouraged them to think about how big or small their home needed to be, how the animal would keep warm and how they could ensure the animal couldn't escape. They could also add other items to ensure their animal didn't get bored in their new home. We were looking out for great examples of team work, problem solving, listening to each other and taking the ideas of others on board and they did a super job!

This week we have also been exploring animal footprints and their different sizes. We have been investigating which animals are the tallest, shortest and longest by building Lego blocks to match each animal. We also had a go at finding out who is the tallest and shortest in our class.



We have been looking at the number 4 this week.  
Here is the rhyme we use to help us remember it:  
Down and across and down once more,  
now I've made the number four.

In phonics we have been learning about the phoneme /a/ and the sound it makes in words like apple, animals, acrobat and alligator. It is a short, bouncy sound. We use the picture to help us remember this sound and the formation rhyme to help us write it: around the apple and down the leaf.



Many thanks for all the emails this week. Please continue to send anything for your child's learning journey to [Helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk](mailto:Helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk)  
Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday. The Nursery Team