

Each day of Zoocation includes animal and reptile visits, some 'science-y' stuff', games and craft. Please read the section on **Zoocation Groups.** 

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# MAKİNG SENSE ÖF THE WÖRLD USİNG SENSES



#### Monday the 9th and 16th of July

Eye Spy With My Little Eye

Some animals have eyes on the side of their head and others have them positioned at the front of their face. Learn about why this is as well as the unique ways animals see things differently to humans.

## Tuesday 10th and 17th of July

All The Better To Hear You With...

Animal ears come in all shapes and sizes! Learn about the different parts of an ear and how ear size and shape effects the way animals hear.





## Wednesday 11th and 18th of July

Sniffing up A Storm

Find out why animals have a better sense of smell than humans and explore how smell and taste are linked.

#### **Thursday 12th July**

it's A Touchy Subject!

We use touch everyday to help us navigate and make sense of the world around us. Come and learn how animals use touch in lots of different ways to make sense of their world too.





## **Thursday 19th July**

Super Senses

Aside from tasting, smelling, touching and hearing, some animals possess 'Super Senses'. In this session we will learn about the animals that use echolocation, magnetism and electricity to sense their world.



## ZOOCATION GROUPS

#### WHAT ARE THE ZOOCATION GROUPS?

To ensure that all children have a fun and enriching experience at Zoocation, children are divided into three groups; Red, Yellow and Blue. Children are grouped according to the year they are attending at school, e.g. Year 1, 2 3 etc.. We group children according to their current school year.

As craft and various other learning activities are part of their day, we try to ensure children are with others of similar social and developmental levels. This way, they will not become frustrated or struggle with the activities. There are usually 18 children in each group with two staff members.

#### HOW DO I KNOW WHICH GROUP MY CHILD IS IN?

When your child arrives at Zoocation they will be given a coloured bandana to indicate which group they will be in for the day. Generally, children in Years K and 1 are in Red, Years 2 – 3 are in Yellow and Years 4 to 6 in Blue. Sometimes, according to daily enrolments, adjustments are made to how the groups are divided.

#### CAN MY CHILD BE WITH THEIR FRIENDS OR SIBLINGS?

As much as possible we make all efforts to make sure friends are grouped together. However, if there are large age differences, this becomes difficult during activity time. For example, the Blue group has more complex activities than the Red and Yellow groups. A young child may become frustrated at not being able to participate at the same level as others. We want all the children to experience success and have a fun time at the zoo. All children are together during lunch, snacks and some free time

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Zoocation Staff.



