# What's happening in the news this week?





Let's have a look at this week's poster!



## From Trunks to Tentacles

## **Christian Value: Compassion**



















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- Why do you think people care about animal welfare?
- How can rules in places where animals live help protect them?
- How might the new rules affect zookeepers and visitors?
- Can you think of other ways people show compassion to animals?





# What does the Bible have to say?





All animals are part of God's creation and deserve to be treated with kindness and respect. He has entrusted us with this task as caretakers of His world. When we care for animals, we are showing love for God's wonderful creation.





# Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds.

Proverbs 27:23





## What do others think?





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Animals have hearts that feel, eyes that see and families to care for... just like you and me. 50

Anthony D. Williams – consultant, researcher, and author



# Time to be quiet and to pray





### **Prayer**

Dear God,

Thank you for the wonderful animals you created.

Help us to care for them with kindness and compassion, ensuring they have everything they need to live happy and healthy lives.

Teach us to respect all your creation, today and always.

Amen.



## Continue thinking





### **Key Stage 1 class discussion**

- What animals have you seen at a zoo or farm? What did they need to stay happy?
- Why is it important that animals have enough space?
- How can you show kindness to animals at home or school?



## **Key Stage 2 class discussion**

- Why do you think animal welfare rules need to change over time?
- How do you think these new rules will affect animals and visitors?
- What responsibilities do we have to care for animals, both in zoos and in nature?



## Time to worship

All things bright and beautiful Click <u>here</u> for the hymn online





All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.







Each little flower that opens, Each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colours, He made their tiny wings.







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The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky.







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The cold wind in the winter, The pleasant summer sun, The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one.







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He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell, How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well.







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### Collective Worship



Bible Link: Proverbs 27:23 Christian Value: Compassion Theme: From Trunks to Tentacles



#### Pupil talk

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### Pupil involvement

Begin with a quick game: ask a volunteer to come to the front and mime or act out one thing animals need to be happy and healthy (e.g., eating, running, playing, resting). The rest of the group guesses the need. Complete a few rounds with different volunteers. Which needs are most important?

Ask the children if they, or anyone they know, have pets at home. What animals do they keep? How are they looked after and kept happy? Share experiences as a group.

Now, ask who has been to a zoo, safari park or aquarium before. What animals did they see? How are those animals cared for? How might this look different from caring for a pet at home?

What about animals living in the wild? What do they need to be happy and healthy, if no one is feeding or cleaning up after them? Can we still care for wild animals? How? Talk about things like protecting habitats, not polluting, and respecting animals in nature.

#### Think

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#### **Invitation** prayer

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#### Worship song

All Things Bright and Beautiful



















