



Bumble Bees Homework.

Dear Zoo is a brilliant book that we use a lot throughout the school. Simple repetitive text and so easy to act out, play and extend. I've sent a paper copy home but you will find an interactive game on the website in the homework section.

Each page should have a flap on it to hide the animal, you could make your own flap with your child and stick it on.

- Talk about a big, tall, small, short, little, long flap
- Talk about what shape? Circle, square, rectangle?
- Is the animal in a box, a cage, a crate?
- Name the animals, act out the animals, make their noises.
- Match the animals, you might have toys at home, re-tell the story.

If you are making your own "flap", allow the children to try and do it themselves, draw the shape, cut it out, stick it on. It won't look perfect, it might take several attempts, you might only do one a day, but they will be proud of their work and so will you.

Have fun and remember to let me know how you get on!

Special Homework! Have a go at some of these ideas (or all if you are brave)! Take a picture, email it or Tweet it and we'll print it for you:

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- Read the booklet called "Listen Up" from The Communication Trust and have a go at some of the activities.
- Come and see Claire if you have any questions or worries, even if they seem small or you've asked them before and still aren't sure.
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This week is a bit of reading...

I've included a booklet this week with lots of ideas to help you develop communication with your children.

It's downloaded from The Communication Trust charity website and I've included the link below and on our website in the homework section. Your homework this week is to have a look at the booklet I'm sending home and try some of the ideas.

You might have lots of questions, you might be overwhelmed by the information, it might worry you. So come and talk to me.

Later in the term and after Christmas we will be having a series of groups for families with children in Bumble Bee's looking at what we do, why we do it and how you can help develop your child's skills further.

Remember these key things:

- Keep it simple, keep it short, less questions and more comments
- My name is Claire and I'm the Inclusion Leader and my job is to listen to you and to help you and your family on your journey. Do not hesitate to come and see me about anything.

Here is the link for the booklet I've included:

https://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/media/3163/postcards_pre_school_final.pdf