



Animals and Their Babies: Big & Small 🐣

This week, we're exploring the wonderfully gentle world of animals and their babies!

Through play, stories, songs and hands-on discovery, the children will learn to match animal families and discover some of the special names we use for their babies — from cubs, calves and foals to lambs, ducklings, puppies, kittens and joeys. We'll also explore the concepts of big and small, notice how babies grow, and talk about what all little ones need: food, warmth, sleep, safety and lots of loving care.

Our play spaces will become farms, safaris, nests, animal homes and even a busy little veterinary clinic. The children can reunite lost babies with their mommies, build safe homes, investigate animal tracks, care for poorly animals and discover what different animal babies eat.

Along the way, we'll be developing language, matching and sorting, fine and gross motor skills, sensory processing, listening and visual tracking — but there's an important social-emotional thread running through this theme too. As we talk about why babies need extra care, we'll practise gentle hands, helping others and empathy.

Because sometimes learning that a tiny duckling needs its mommy is also a lovely way to begin learning what it means to care for someone smaller than you. 🐣💛



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