

Preparing for your visit

- Make sure you have completed our booking form and received your email confirmation letter: This contains links to our risk assessment, Park map & other useful information
- Take advantage of the free preliminary ticket which allows one teacher to visit the Park ahead of your trip. This is a good opportunity to familiarise yourself with the site
- Learn some key vocabulary with your class eg: habitat, carnivore, herbivore
- Read lots of books based on animals and wildlife to spark interest



During your visit

- Upon arrival to the Park you will be met by a member of the Education team to finalise your group information paperwork. You will then be given an information leaflet, complete with Park map and your talk times (if applicable).
- There are sheltered picnic areas around the Park, these can be found on the map that you will be given upon arrival.
- For self-guided groups there are daily public talks at the Penguins (11:00am) and Lemurs (12:00pm)
- If you have booked a talk, you will need to plan your visit around your talk time(s) and meeting point as it does take little legs a while to walk from one place to another!
- Encourage the children to talk about everything they see and remember key facts.

Activity ideas

After your visit

- **Build a Bug Hotel** – use bamboo, logs, bark, stones and other natural materials
- **Wild Animal Cookies** – bake & decorate a biscuit with your favourite animal from the visit
- **Animal Movements** – move your body like different animals to some funky music!
- **Class Book** – make a fact file page about your favourite animal from the visit and collate them all into a class book. You could make a copy for your school library!
- **Build A Zoo** – design and construct your own zoo using building blocks etc. How many animals will you have in your zoo? How many blocks will you need?
- **Colour Mixing** – using paints, practise mixing some colours to paint your favourite animal