



Colours and Kindness!

Learning Challenges Week Beginning 11th May 2020

<p>Elmer has a colourful patchwork pattern that makes him unique in his elephant herd. Draw an outline of your favourite animal (you can ask an adult to help) and decorate it with your favourite colours and patterns. Keep it safe so that we can share the unique and colourful animals when we are back at school. We look forward to seeing all of the different animals and designs on display!</p> <p>Extra challenge: Write a sentence explaining why that animal is your favourite.</p>	<p>Elephants usually have grey, wrinkled skin. Elmer is unique because of his patchwork pattern. Many animals do have patterned skin, feathers or fur, often to help them camouflage into their environment. Look in books or look at the PowerPoint on the website to find some animal patterns. Talk about the shapes and colours you can see then draw or collage your favourite</p> <p>Extra challenge: Look at the safari animal pattern cards on the school website and match them up. You can look at the pictures on screen if you don't want to print it out.</p>	<p>We know many of you are missing friends and family that you haven't seen for a while. To let them know you are thinking of them, send them a hug in the post! Draw around your hands, cut out the hand shapes and join them together with string or ribbon that is the same length as your stretched out arms. You've made a hug that will fit in an envelope! You could decorate the hand shapes to make it even more special. Ask an adult to help you send it.</p> <p>Extra challenge: Write a message to send with your hug. You could tell the person why they are special or just share your news.</p>
<p>Elmer is a kind elephant who likes to help his friends. Read or watch another story about Elmer (there are some links below). Talk to an adult about Elmer's choices in the story. Did he show kindness? How?</p> <p>Extra challenge: Choose and complete one of the ESJ Kindness Activities.</p>	<p>Make a puppet or model of Elmer the Elephant. Think about how you are going to show his colourful patchwork pattern. Use your puppet to tell a story about Elmer's adventures. We know that Elmer likes to help other animals so you could include some of your animal toys in the story.</p> <p>Extra challenge: Draw a picture or story map of your story.</p>	<p>Elmer likes to make his friends laugh. What makes you laugh? How do you feel when you are laughing? Watch a funny film or read a funny book. Tell someone in your house about the parts that made you laugh.</p> <p>Extra challenge: Make someone laugh. Try telling a joke or pulling a silly face!</p>

Useful links to look at with an adult.

Please be mindful of e-safety, particularly with Youtube links.

Milk Jug Elmer Elephant craft:

<https://theimaginationtree.com/milk-jug-elmer-elephant-craft/>

Cbeebies Radio What's the Big Idea? Kindness

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio/whats-the-big-idea-kindness>

Elmer Stories

Elmer, read by the author David McKee:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFrD18XLmIM>

Elmer and the Hippos on BBC Radio (no pictures):

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/eyfs-storytime-elmer-and-the-hippos/zm3kbdm>

Elmer in the Snow

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iiK6PFxYR08>

Elmer and Grandpa Eldo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQ54hk3wZXk>

Elmer and the Stranger

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=osuHnIz7wEO>

Elmer and the Rainbow

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKu-mUgq4Gw>