

ZOO'S! DO WE NEED THEM?

Session Brief | U KS2

(1 Hour)

An interesting and deep look at the history of Zoo's and our own zoo here at Drayton Manor Park. Pupils will discover facts about the good and bad from zoo history. They will look at research, news, conservation stats and much more to put together their argument for or against zoos. The group will take part in a structured debate on the topic of "Should we have zoo's" and present their findings.

Session Content

- Delve into the history of UK zoos.
- Look at the history of our zoo here at DMP.
- Look at research from all over the world.
- Put together an argument for or against zoos.
- Take part in a structured debate about whether we need zoos.

National Curriculum Links

- Participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, improvisations and debates.
- Consider and evaluate different viewpoints, attending to and building on the contributions of others.
- Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them.
- A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066.

Pre-visit

- Research "what is a debate".
- Find one reason we should have zoo's and one reason that we shouldn't.

During visit

- Take a tour of our zoo and see what our zoo does to support animals in the wild.

Post-visit

- Create a poster about your side of the debate.
- Recreate the debate at school for parent's to watch during a class assembly.