

# Big Toddle Big Fun!

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## Animal activities

The Barnardo's Big Toddle is the UK's biggest sponsored walk for under 5s and this year it's animal themed! We've put together a series of activities below that will help bring out the wild side in your cheeky monkeys.

They'll have a whale of a time and so will you, as you watch them develop their creative, communication and problem solving skills. So don't paws for thought any longer: go wild!

- Develop an animal safari hunt. Cut out paw prints and lay them on the floor before the children arrive. Then encourage them to follow the tracks to hidden toy animals.
- Play a game where you describe an animal and they have to guess which one you're describing. You can use animal sounds as clues.
- Develop their role playing skills: ask the children to act like the animal they are dressed up as.
- Have a nature table for the week. Ask the children to find something that relates to animals, such as an empty birds nest, a snail shell or a snake skin. Make sure that they know they must not do anything that will hurt the animals or harm their habitat.
- Draw an animal: this could be a pet that they have or would like to have.
- If a member of staff has a child-friendly pet, why not bring it in and let the children see and stroke it?
- Draw around the children's hands, cut them out, paint them black and stick them together to make spiders.
- Sleeping lions – whenever you fancy a bit of peace and quiet!

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