

Born Free Education

Primary outreach workshops



Academic Year 2025-2026

Our Community Engagement Team would love to support learning in your primary school, either in person, where possible, or remotely via Zoom or Teams. Please see our range of workshops below. If you would like to make a booking, please get in touch via education@bornfree.org.uk.

Suitable for KS1 & KS2

Threats Facing Wildlife

30min assembly or 60min workshop

Born Free introduces your pupils to four key species that we work with and care for: elephants, tigers, orca and hedgehogs. Pupils will learn interesting facts about each species and learn about the threats they face. They will also learn how they can make small changes in their daily lives to help protect these species, as well as their local environment.

What teachers thought:

"The presentation was perfectly pitched for our children and offered opportunities for discussion between the presenter and the children. The presenter was just lovely and encouraged the children to share their ideas. It was a fabulous workshop and we would recommend this to any children of a similar age."

Threats Facing Wildlife Workshop
Key Stage 1 & Science Teacher, St Peter's CE Academy



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Precious Primates

75min workshop

In this workshop pupils will discover more about tropical rainforests, their climate, their geographic distribution and their importance to both wildlife and humanity. Pupils will hear stories about some of the primates Born Free works to protect, before writing short speeches highlighting why the rainforest is important to them, and how we can all protect primates.



What teachers thought:

"This was a brilliant workshop enjoyed by all of the children. It was very interactive, pitched perfectly at a Year 3 level and all the children were engaged. The presenter was brilliant! She was so knowledgeable and really helped to extend the learning of all the children. We are booking the workshop again for next year."

Precious Primates Workshop
Year 3 Class Teacher, Ponteland Primary School

King of the Jungle

75min workshop

Pupils will learn all about one of the world's most iconic big cat - the lion. Through quizzes and interactive activities, pupils will learn about the lion's natural habitat, their adaptations, what they eat, along with a whole host of other amazing lion facts. Pupils will also learn about the many threats lions face in the wild and hear about the work that Born Free undertakes to protect them, both in the wild and through their rescue and care work.

What teachers thought:

"A fascinating and thought-provoking session with age-appropriate information and engaging activities. The children have even taken time to create some incredible, information packed posters based on the session! I would definitely recommend the King of the Jungle session to other schools."

King of the Jungle Workshop
Year 5 Class Teacher, The Discovery School



An Elephant Called Slowly - Should Animals Have the Same Rights as Humans?

90min workshop

This workshop explores the real story of Pole Pole the elephant (Swahili for 'Slowly Slowly'), and discusses whether she should be sent to live at the zoo, or remain with her family in the wild. Children work in groups as different stakeholders (a UK zoo, the Kenyan government and Pole Pole), sharing their thoughts and opinions, before voting as a class as to whether to send Pole Pole to the zoo. Pupils will then be told the real story of Pole Pole. It's a great way to start discussions around the ethics of holding wild animals in captivity.



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What teachers thought:

"This thought-provoking workshop provided the children with the opportunity to explore the impact of decisions that are made by themselves and by mankind. The children empathised with the story of the young elephant and reflected on their own views and how these change when they are provided with all the information involved in a situation."

An Elephant Called Slowly Workshop
Year 5 Class Teacher, Staplegrave Church School

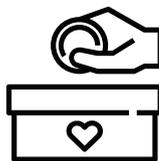
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All of our primary workshops, whether run remotely or in-person, are **free of charge**. However, to ensure as much funding as possible goes to our conservation and wild animal rescue work, we do kindly ask that your school covers travel expenses for **in-person workshops** if your school is based more than 30 miles from a Community Engagement Team member's usual place of work. You can find out more information on our Workshop Booking Form, or get in touch via education@bornfree.org.uk to see if a team member is based close to your school.

