

Theme: Bringing Home the Zoo

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Hello StrongStart families,

Today's email was put together by Teacher Michelle (from Douglas) and Ms. Karolina (from Thunderbird).

I hope you had a great weekend! Let's start off our Monday morning with a wake up song called "I Wake Up My Hands" - <https://youtu.be/du8c27SVzTk>. Teacher Michelle only did a few body parts but you can add more!

Most of us have been stuck at home this past month. Trips to parks and zoos have been cancelled but what if I tell you that you can bring the animals into your home?! Last week, I found this cool 3D animal feature on Google. You Google search an animal (e.g., "shark" or "dog") and it gives you the option to take a picture with THAT animal (see attached photo for the icon for this feature)! Animals that work include alligator, brown bear, eagle, duck, lion, octopus, giant panda, shark, tiger and wolf. Ah! There's a lion in my living room. ROAR!!



Duck is the common name for numerous species in the waterfowl family Anatidae which also includes swans and geese. Ducks are divided among several subfamilies in the family Anatidae; they do not represent a monophyletic group but a form taxon, since swans and geese are not considered ducks. [Wikipedia](#)

Meet a life-sized duck up close.

[View in 3D](#)

Lifespan: **Mallard:** 5 – 10 years  
Clutch size: **Mallard:** 8 – 13  
Phylum: Chordata  
Wingspan: **Mallard:** 81 – 98 cm  
Mass: **Mallard:** 0.72 – 1.6 kg, **Canvasback:** 1.2 kg, **Marbled duck:** 480 g, [more](#) [Encyclopedia of Life](#)  
Length: **Mallard:** 50 – 65 cm, **Canvasback:** 48 – 56 cm  
[Encyclopedia of Life](#)



How cool is that? Give the 3D animals a try and send me which one is your favourite 😊 Please note that this 3D experience may not work on all phones/tablets/computers.

To continue our theme on animals, join Ms. Karolina for a fun circle time where she sings Five Little Monkeys and Grizzly Bear. She also reads an interactive book called From Head to Toe by Eric Carle - <https://youtu.be/odpxo7DRrU4>

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*For Families who are Facebook users – Please follow the Vancouver Public Library – they do a live story time each day at 10am <https://www.facebook.com/vancouverpubliclibrary/>*

Enjoy your Monday!

