



Keeper Kids Programme Information 2019

Keeper Kids is a two day programme designed to give children aged 8-11 years (KS2) an opportunity to:

- **Learn** about the animal kingdom
- **Enjoy** working with animals in a zoo
- **Discover** more about a zoo keeper's job and how our animals are cared for

Programme Dates 2018

Programme 1:	Saturday 9 th and Sunday 10 th February
Programme 2:	Saturday 6 th and Sunday 7 th April
Programme 3:	Saturday 13 th and Sunday 14 th April
Programme 4:	Sunday 5 th and Monday 6 th May
Programme 5:	Tuesday 28 th and Wednesday 29 th May
Programme 6:	Saturday 27 th and Sunday 28 th July
Programme 7:	Wednesday 7 th and Thursday 8 th August
Programme 8:	Monday 19 th and Tuesday 20 th August
Programme 9:	Wednesday 21 st and Thursday 22 nd August

Times

The day will start at 10.30am and finish at 2.30pm.

Cost

£125 per child.

10% discount for second sibling.

10% discount for members.

This includes a Blackpool Zoo Keeper Kids t-shirt, a link e-mailed to all participants of all the photos taken over the two days of the programme. (The photos will be available for 4 weeks to be able to download and save).

Other benefits for parents/guardians over the two day programme include **one free adult admission for each day**, a free car parking pass and a discount card for the shop (10% discount) and café (20% discount). These will be available to collect from Keeper Kids staff on the first morning of the course.

Hoodies

In addition for **only £25**, matching Keeper Kids hoodies can be ordered using the application form.

Windcheater

In addition for **only £15**, Keeper Kids windcheaters can be ordered using the application form.

Group Numbers and Staffing

There will be 12 participants per programme who will be supervised by an experienced member of staff. All Keeper Kids teaching staff are DBS certified (previously CRB certified) and safeguarding aware.

Lunch and Breaks

Participants will have half an hour supervised lunch time and short breaks each day.

Parents/guardians can provide a packed lunch that can be stored safely in the classroom during the morning activities. Please be aware there is no fridge space available.

As an alternative packed lunches can be pre-ordered from the zoo at an additional cost of **£3 per day**. Packed lunches consist of a sandwich (tuna mayo, cheese or ham), crisps, a yogurt and a drink. If you would like to order these please fill out the relevant part of the application form.

During the short breaks participants will be provided with squash and biscuits. Please state any allergies or dietary requirements on the application form.

Protective Clothing

Participants are asked to wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the programme and the weather. For example:

- Wellington boots
- Sensible flat footwear
- Clothes that can get dirty and damaged (no jeans)
- Waterproof jacket and trousers (wet weather)
- Sun hat and clothes that cover the neck and shoulders (sunny weather)
- Gloves and a warm coat (cold weather)

Sun Protection

'Once a day' protective sun cream will need to be applied by parents/guardians before the daily start time on sunny days to ensure protection throughout the day.

Mobile Phones

Participants will not be allowed mobile phones during the programme day as it is paramount that they are aware of what is around them at all times and they are not distracted in any way. Mobile phones will be stored in a securely locked cupboard in the Education classroom at the beginning of each day if required.

Dropping Off and Collecting Participants

Participants can be dropped off at 10.30am and collected at 2.30pm from Keeper Kids staff at the zoo's main entrance.

Participants can only be collected by the authorised individuals who know the child's password stated on the application form (chosen by parent/guardian). If there are any changes to these details then please contact the Education Department on 01253 830805.

Please be aware that it is paramount that participants are dropped off and collected at the times stated above. If participants are not collected on time then there will be an additional charge to account for staff time.

Application Process and Payment

To apply for the course please fill out the application and consent forms and send by post or e-mail to the addresses below:

Education Department
Blackpool Zoo
East Park Drive
Blackpool
FY3 8PP

zoo.school@blackpoolzoo.org.uk

Once your application has been processed and a place on the programme has been confirmed you will be contacted by e-mail. Once you have received this e-mail you can secure the participants place on the programme by making your payment by cash, cheque or card. Details of how to make this payment will be stated on the confirmation e-mail.



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