



# ZOOKEEPER EXPERIENCE

Bede’s Zookeeper Experience Academy offers students an opportunity to become a zookeeper for a week. Students will help to care for the animals and learn about their natural habitats and behaviour.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Here are some of the animals which are cared for at Bede’s: Binturongs, Polecats, Rabbits, Kinkajous, African birds, Squirrel Monkeys, Lemurs, Dormice, Chipmunks, Owls.

## OBJECTIVES

- To stimulate curiosity for the natural world
- To increase students’ sense of responsibility towards animals and other living beings
- To learn about animal biology, typical animal behaviour traits and conservation
- To master the fundamentals of exotic animal management and aquarium management
- To acquire hands-on experience handling and looking after animals
- To develop awareness of animal welfare issues
- To exercise students’ own judgement to assess and control risk relating to animals
- To broaden vocabulary relating specifically to animals and animal management.

## SUMMARY

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| CENTRE | Eastbourne (6–11 years)                | LEVELS      | Beginner, Elementary, Intermediate and Advanced  |
| VENUE  | Bede’s Zoo in Dicker                   | INSTRUCTION | One teacher per 10 students  |
| HOURS  | 3 hours per week (2x 1½ hour sessions) | FEE         | £275 per week  |
| DAYS   | Tuesday and Thursday                   | DATES       | Eastbourne –<br>Week 1: 29/06/2025   Week 2: 06/07/2025  <br>Week 5: 27/07/2025   Week 6: 03/08/2025  <br>Week 7: 10/08/2025 |

Minimum number of students is required for the Academy to run. If an Academy is cancelled, a refund will be given.