Dear Zoo

Activity One – We will go to the Zoo today ! Let's talk about what the zoo is and what we can see here.

Flashcard fun.

Now let's see some animals.

Activity Two – While we have a pause for a drink let's sing some songs.

Songtime - **Monkeys**

Two little monkeys, jumping on the bed,
One fell off and bumped his head.
We took him to the doctor and the doctor said:
That's what you get for jumping on the bed!

WE'RE GOING TO THE ZOO
Sung to the tune of The Farmer's in the Dell'

We're going to the zoo,
We'll see a kangeroo
And a cockatoo.
So how 'bout you?
We're going to the zoo.

ELEPHANT ACTION PLAY

"Who is the animal baggy and gray,
(Circle both arms.)
That walks in the forest with a sway?
(Sway both arms.)
Who runs around on big, big toes,
(Point to toes.)
And feeds himself with his nose?
(Point to nose.)
The elephant!"
(Clap hands 1 time.)

GIRAFFE

Of all the animals in the zoo,
I am the tallest. That is true.
Who am I? I am the giraffe.
I am brown and white with a little red,
And I have two knobs on the top of my head.
Who am I? I am a giraffe.
My neck is long, I am very tall,
But I don't have very much voice at all.
Who am I? I am a giraffe.
I have one big ear on each side of my head.
High up in the air is where I am fed.
Who am I? I am a giraffe.
I walk right up to the tallest tree.
And I eat the leaves that are good for me.
Who am I? I am a giraffe.

Activity Three Animal factfiles worksheets and colorings.

Lunchtime – Zoo Picnic – feeding time at the zoo!

Activity Four - Games for today.

· **Animal Walk**- Played like Simon Says--the zookeeper may say, "Walk like an elephant." The students walk like they believe that particular animal walks. Use animals such as giraffes, monkeys, lions,, bears, etc.

· **Elephant Walk**- Go for an "elephant walk" in one long line. Everyone is to stretch one hand each back through their legs and, with the other hand, take the outstretched hand of the person in front. The children will be lined up, attached like elephants holding trunks and tails. Move to slow music.

· **Elephant Soccer**- Children get into a circle with legs wide apart. Hold their arms down in front of them with hands clasped together for trunks. Roll a ball across the circle trying to get it between someone's legs. Use only your trunks to keep the ball from going through your legs.

· **Play "Monkey See, Monkey Do**", children copying the actions or silly antics of a child chosen to be the leader.

Activity Five – Dear Zoo Story time and worksheets.

Activity Six – Craft Time.

Activity Seven – Let's sing some songs again.

Activity Eight – Let's play in the park before you go home and play some more games.

