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Learning Focus: To engage parents in children's learning experiences.	
Curriculum Focus: Science > Life & Living Processes > Animals around the world	
Tools used: Homepage, Forum, Files, Sound Recorder, Film	



How this worked in practice: The children in Year 2 – in India class have been learning about animals as part of their wider topic work. Within this learning children have been creating presentations about animals that they are particularly interested in finding out about, and have put together an assembly to share with the rest of the school. The children have also begun to keep a diary through a forum for their class mascot – Kiruba the elephant.

To engage parents in the learning that children have been focusing upon, their work has been stored centrally here for children and parents to access at home through the cLc learning platform, and filming has also captured children's assembly and classwork for parents to watch at home or at work if they have not been able to attend the special assemblies. The instructions for accessing and using these opportunities have been sound recorded directly into the class homepage so that children and parents can easily take part in these opportunities and work alongside each other to extend children's learning opportunities.

By the end of this sequence of work children had developed skills in:

ICT: Word processing (Forum editing) Uploading Images to the cLc

Science: Animals / Life & Living Processes

Geography: Locality / Comparing & Contrasting

Learning: Self and Peer Assessment

Next Steps: Children can now begin to work with their parents and wider family at home to sound record their daily learning through a learning journal blog in their personal eportfolio.