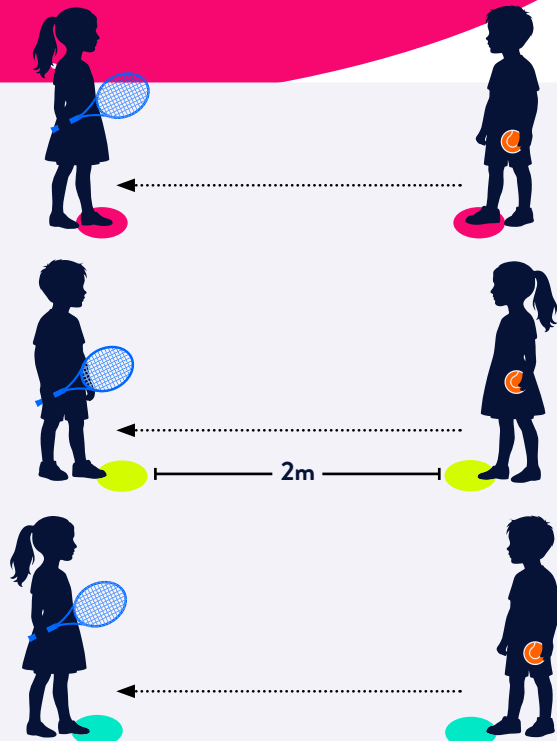


ZOO GAME: Zookeeper Pass

Set the scene:
“Let’s be zookeepers.”



**Brain focus
activities:**



Equipment:

-  Balls (one per pair)
-  Spots (one per pair)
-  Traffic cones (one per pair)
-  Rackets or hitting hands (one per child)

How to Play:

- Working in pairs, children start standing on a spot opposite their partner approximately 2 metres apart.
- One child has a racket and the other child has the ball.
- The child with the ball rolls the ball to their partner. Their partner stops the ball with the racket and rolls it back.
- Repeat several times and then swap roles.

Cool Down:

Set the scene: “Sleeping lions.”

- Children lie on the floor and concentrate on breathing:
 - “Inhale...big belly”
 - “Exhale...quiet lion”
- 3–5 slow breaths.

TEACHING POINTS:

- Hold the racket and ball out to the side.
- Tap with palm and strings pointing towards partner.
- Watch the ball.
- Move to the ball.
- Cup hands to catch.

SKILL UP:

- Tap the ball with the racket. The hitter stops the rolled ball and picks it up, then holds the ball against the racket strings and swinging both arms forwards sends the ball back to their partner. Alternatively, the hitter can drop and tap the ball.
- Use a traffic cone or hitting tee. Place the ball on the traffic cone or tee and gently tap the ball to their partner. Partner allows the ball to bounce and then catches the ball and sends it back to the hitter (either roll or throw).



SEE IT IN ACTION