

Tikkabilla

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More daily helpings of songs, stories and rhymes come to CBeebies this autumn with a new series of *Tikkabilla*. Drawing on the best of pre-school traditions – music, song, dance, rhyme, storytelling – each *Tikkabilla* programme has a common theme binding together all its elements, leading the pre-school audience “stepping-stone”-style through the show. The series also provides a window on the world, from natural history animal sequences to how things are made – all viewed through the round, square or arched windows.

The programme is studio-based, and presenters Beverley, Paul, Sarah-Jane, Justin, Lorna and Simon are joined every day by their mischievous puppet friend Tamba.



Wide Eye

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This new series is set in the magical world of the Natterjack Forest. It is home to some unusual animal characters, such as the lovable and enthusiastic baby owl Little Hoot, his bright and energetic best friend Flea, arch mischief-maker Wily Komodo, and the watchful and protective guardian owl Wide Eye.

Natterjack Forest is a world where joys are shared and wishes fulfilled. Each episode has a theme and deals with a social message or development topic for pre-school children, from friendship and sharing to cultural differences and bullying.

But the emphasis is still on fun! The animation series features plenty of humour, mischief, imagination, adventures, stories and music. It has lots of other colourful characters for young viewers as they learn more about growing up in the world they live in.