

This half term our topic is **‘Down on the Farm’!**
Below is an overview of the areas we shall be exploring.

Literacy; Communication and Language

The children will learn about a range of animals that live outside on a farm, for example pigs, goats etc. There will continue to be lots of varied opportunities for writing including: speech bubbles, labelling pictures and simple stories. Each week we will focus the learning around a story or non-fiction book, some of these will include Click, Clack, Moo Cows That Type by Doreen Cronin, Pig in a Pond by Martin Waddell and The Little Red Hen by Ronne Randall.



Phonics

Daily phonics and high frequency word practise will continue to enable children to use their phonic knowledge to decode words through games and activities. We will now be consolidating reading and writing words containing the following graphemes – qu, ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, ure, er. We will also practise reading and spelling the following tricky words – he, she, we, me, be, was, you, they, all, are, my, her.

Personal Social Emotional Development

Through group and class circle time discussions children will learn to listen and respond to ideas expressed by others. They will learn to play games in small groups, following rules, taking turns and playing cooperatively.



How to support your child at home:

- Your child should read at home with you daily. Please remember to ask them simple questions about the book to check their understanding. **Remember** to comment in their Reading Record Book every time you hear them read.
- Continue to practise segmenting and blending the example words shown on the weekly Ash Class News. You may like to challenge your child by asking them to have a go at writing these words in a sentence using their phonics knowledge.
- Practise number recognition up to 20.
- Continue to practise correct letter and number formation!

Mathematics

The children will be continuing to develop their counting and calculating skills. They will learn to apply these skills to solve practical problems, involving, sharing, doubling and halving. Where possible we will use our topic or real life scenarios as the context for the learning. There will be lots of opportunities for the children to use marks and be encouraged to interpret and explain them. There will also be a week’s focus on data handling e.g. pictograms.

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Physical Development

The children will continue to learn the importance for good health of physical exercise and a healthy diet, and talk about ways to keep healthy. They will be asked to keep a food diary so they can see what they eat over a week. The children will be developing their games skills including throwing and catching, aiming and working with a partner and as a team. In the outside area we will be exploring different ways of travelling and balancing both on and off different equipment.

Understanding the World

The children will gain lots of first hand experiences when we visit Boydells Dairy Farm. Back in the classroom, they will research more about farm animals on the internet using a search engine. The children will also explore and discuss mothers and their young as well and discuss the animas seen on our trip to the farm. We will also discuss where our food come from and the different foods that grow on UK farms.



Expressive Arts and Design

The children love music and we have got lots of new songs for the children to learn. The children will have opportunities for exploring and using different media and materials. Their first project will be to create a farm animal collage! The children will continue to be encouraged to start representing their own ideas through design and technology, art, music, dance, role play and stories.

R.E.

- Salvation
- Our Church School
- Pentecost
- Bible stories - New testament

Useful links

Phonics

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/InteractiveResources.htm>

Mathematics

<http://www.storyplace.org/preschool/activities/shapesonstory.asp>

<http://www.primaryonline.co.uk/sitetour/pol/findra.html>

Understanding the World

<http://www.bigeyedowl.co.uk/science/water-activities.htm>

<http://www.brainpopjr.com/science/forces/sinkorfloat/grownups.weml>

Ash Class Timetable

Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		
Tuesday	Swimming	
Wednesday		PPA (P.E., French and Music)
Thursday	Gymnastics (2 nd half term)	
Friday	P.E. (1 st half term)	