



Specific Areas of Learning

Mathematics

- Representing 1-5 and 6-10 in different ways.
- Teen numbers.
- Comparing groups of objects
- Continuing to develop the correct mathematical language.
- Continue to recognise and order numbers.
- Adding Numicon pieces to make 5 and then 10.
- Adding groups of objects and finding the answer.
- Subtracting by taking away objects.
- Number Bonds to 5 and 10

Understanding the World

- What are farms for? What do they do and provide?
- Animals and their young.
- Omnivores, carnivores, and herbivores.
- Food produce and food groups.
- Life cycle of a chicken.
- Scarecrows - what are they for?
- Mothering Sunday
- The Easter Story

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Free flow choosing time within a planned Early Years Environment provides children with opportunities to develop self-confidence, their sense of self and begin to make established friendships within their class group. Children will make independent choices about their learning by carefully selecting resources both on their own and with others, which will enable them to use and apply their knowledge of the world around them, subsequently leading to a greater level of understanding. Children will converse with one another, negotiate, take turns, learn about each other's feelings, and begin to understand how their actions can affect these.

Prime Areas of Learning

Topic Title:

Down on the Farm



Communication & Language

- Talk Partners provide regular opportunities for children to converse, discuss and peer assess their learning.
- Free-flow choosing time promotes an expanse of communication - listening, talking, responding, understanding.
- Daily phonics teaching, including the introduction and discussion of new vocabulary.

Physical Development

Weekly **Physical Education lessons**

Outdoor Environment -

Trim trail, bikes and scooters, mud kitchen, stage, den building, large scale construction resources

Sensory/Fine Motor Skills -

Developing muscle tone and hand-eye coordination

Use correct pencil grip

Experience and explore different textures

- Alligator swap with shaving foam and food colouring.
- Grass, twigs, leaves, large pebbles and animals in Tuft tray.

Expressive Arts & Design

- Vegetable printing
- Printing patterns - tractor tyres
- Painting a farm scene for display
- Ladybird crafts
- Maps linked to What the Ladybird Heard
- Mothering Sunday Cards
- Easter activities

Literacy

Fiction

- What the Ladybird Heard - Julia Donaldson
- What the Ladybird Heard on Holiday - Julia Donaldson
- Farmyard Hullabaloo - Giles Andreae & David Wojtowycz

Non-fiction

- Books about farms, animals, farm machinery

Big Writing - sentence structure, punctuation, letter formation and size

Phonics

Little Wandle: Phase 2 and Phase 3
Segmenting and blending
CVC/CVCC/CCVC words,
double letter words,
longer words, revise
tricky words.

Literacy ideas may include:

- Labelling pictures of farm animals.
- Describing farm animals.
- The Easter Story
- Writing Mothering Sunday cards
- Small world story characters and puppets.