

Class Information

Class Teacher	Year Group	LSAs
Mrs Harrison	Reception	Miss Clark

Homework	Home Learning activities on the weekly newsletter. A reading activity every day.
Library	Monday
PE	Monday

Spring 2 curriculum: In addition to English and Maths, your child will be studying a particular topic into which many of their lessons will feed. Below is a synopsis of how the topic will be studied and some opportunities to extend the learning at home.

TOPIC: *Old MacDonald had a Farm*

Throughout the topic we will focus on the season of spring and the changes that happen in our environment, farm animals and their offspring, life cycles, animals that hatch from eggs and hibernation.

Please check the weekly newsletter located on the Acorn page of the school website for the learning covered each week.

Communication and Language and Literacy	Talking about why things happen and how they work Building vocabulary Role play area – Farmyard, Farm shop Writing – labelling, instructions, shopping lists, life cycles, speech bubbles, writing in a full sentence World Book Day
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Thinking about feelings Adjusting behaviour to new contexts Healthy eating - fruit smoothies, salads.
Physical Development	Fine motor activities pencil grip and control PE-Ball skills/tennis Gross motor activities Malleable activities
Mathematics	Focus on the 'staircase' pattern and ordering numbers Focus on ordering of numbers to 8 Use language of less than Doubles – explore how some numbers can be made with 2 equal parts
Understanding the World	The changing seasons – Spring Life cycles – how things change over time Celebrations - Holi Festival, Easter, Mother's Day Making chocolate crispy cakes/changes Salt dough hedgehogs Materials for an animal's habitat – comparisons/suitability.
Expressive Arts and Design	Using instruments Experiment with materials, tools and techniques Junk modelling – animal habitats Role play/retelling stories Creating different textures using paint

Possible family visits/ activities which would enrich your child's learning:	How to support your child: Practical ways to support your child's learning:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the farm and learn the names of the animals – a challenge would be learning the names of an animal's offspring. • Explore and talk about different animal's habitats. • Draw/make animals and use them to create a story. • Visit your local library and encourage a love of reading. • Explore the signs of spring in the natural environment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read regularly with your child and discuss their reading books. • Practise writing words/phrases using their phonic knowledge. • Practice writing the letters in the alphabet using the correct formations. • Practise recognising, counting and ordering numbers within 20. • Explore numbers to 10 e.g. doubles, odds and even. • Encourage self-management e.g., packing their reading records away.