



Term 5 in Rainbow Class!



Our topic this term is 'Down on the Farm'. We are really enjoying learning all about vegetables and animals. We are loving planting seeds and have regularly been checking them to see if they are growing. We are really looking forward to seeing the first shoots. We are also looking forward to our class trip to Warleigh Lodge Farm. This will be on **Monday 20th May 2019**. Please make sure you return your permission slips as soon as possible.

Thank you ☺

Mrs Elson

	Activity	We will need....
Monday	Book change day	Please make sure your book bag is in school.
	PE	PE kit in school – please include a warm jumper/trousers for outside sessions and either daps or trainers for all sessions.
Tuesday		Please make sure your humpty dumpty word walls are in school.
Wednesday	PE	PE kit in school – please include a warm jumper/trousers for outside sessions and either daps or trainers for all sessions.
Thursday	Mrs Kelsey teaching in the afternoon.	
Friday	Show and Tell	Please see rota.
	Welly Walk	Welly walk – please bring in a bag of old clothes each week. Please make sure you have enough layers as some of us are getting a bit cold. We will go out in all weathers.

Things to remember...

- Please ensure your child's book bag is in school every day. The children will be heard read individually throughout the week. Books will be changed on a Monday.
- Humpty Dumpty word walls will continue to come home. Please make sure these are in your child's book bag every day as we check them fortnightly.
- Please make sure PE kits and water bottles are in school every day.
- If the weather is warm, please make sure children have a sun hat.

Literacy: We are continuing to focus this term on our writing skills. The children are all trying really hard with their segmenting and blending to support their writing. They are beginning to write sentences independently. We are starting to include narrative in our writing as much as possible. We are continuing to develop using our capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We are doing this through all aspects of our learning.

Maths: We are particularly focusing on recording our calculations this term. Our focuses this term will be to add and subtract to 20 using resources and doubling and halving - both numbers and shapes. We are going to be recognising 2D and 3D shapes and using mathematical language to describe them. We will be continuing to problem solve.

Physical development:

We are very fortunate to have Up and Under Sports sessions again this term so we are continuing with team games to help us to work together and progress our moving and handling skills.

Personal, social and emotional development:

We are continuing to work on our behaviour and the needs of others in the classroom. We are also thinking about how to keep ourselves and our bodies safe.



Expressive arts and design:

This term we are going to be using musical instruments to accompany traditional farm songs. We will be making shakers out of different materials and using these with our singing.

We are going to be using many different media to enhance our learning about animals and vegetables. We will be making large animals to play with in our outdoor area – please bring in any cardboard boxes that you would be willing for us to use during week 2. We will also be vegetable printing and making scarecrows!

Understanding the World:

This term we are focusing on planting seeds that we are hoping will grow into flowers and vegetables. The children are observing what the seed looks like before it is planted, when it is planted and as it begins to grow. They are already very excited about watering them every day. Later in the term, we are going to plant some seeds outside and see how these grow differently to the ones that are in the classroom. We will also be experimenting with different conditions in which to grow plants and how these affect the plants.

Through our weekly welly walks we will be looking at a range of curriculum areas. We will be using our literacy skills in retelling stories using the outdoor environment. We will also be using our shape, space and measure learning to measure capacity, length, weight etc when out and about. We will also be using the iPads to record photos and videos of our welly walks so that the children can experience using technology in different situations.

We will also be learning stories that have a moral and thinking about how we can use this moral in our learning.