

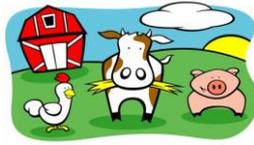
Learning in the Autumn Term 1

Foundation Stage 1

Over the next half term, the theme will be:

'Down on the Farm'

Enrichment activities:



Welcome to the first half of the Autumn Term in Foundation One. This will be a busy, but very exciting term as the children get settled into their new classroom and meet their new teachers and friends.

We will be covering the following areas of learning through the theme of 'Down on the Farm'. The role play area will involve taking on the role of people who live in the farm house. Activities will include making shopping lists, setting the table, washing the clothes and following recipes to bake and caring for the animals.

As speakers, listeners, readers and authors, we will:

- Share stories and information texts linked to the theme 'Down on the Farm'
- Develop our pencil grip and control by joining in a selection of 'writing' activities using a variety of tools such as paintbrushes, fingers, chalk, pens and pencils.
- Make marks using lines, circles, symbols and letters when writing shopping lists in the role-play areas.
- Begin to recognise our full name or write our full name during self-registration.
- Share stories such as 'The Scarecrows' Wedding', 'Fergus The Farmyard Dog', 'Farmer Duck' and 'Duck in the Truck'.

As mathematicians, we will:

- Recite numbers in sequence from at least 0 to 10.
- Recognise numbers to at least 5 and then 10.
- Create a graph showing their favourite farm animal.
- Solve simple problems by adding different amounts and talking about what happens.
- Recognise some simple patterns and shapes.
- Compare the size and shape of different containers and objects.
- Use a selection of shapes to sort, match and create simple pictures.

As investigators and explorers, we will:

- Participate in exploratory play in the sand and water using a selection of equipment and show interest in how things work, for example when pouring water in the water wheels.
- Explore and use a variety of construction kits e.g. Duplo and sticklebricks.
- Explore a range of small world equipment to create simple play scenarios.
- Observe and talk about how we have grown and changed.

The physical skills we will be developing are:

- Fine motor skills through a range of activities including, play dough disco, writing, drawing, cutting, play dough, small world play, jigsaws and pegboards to encourage dexterity and strength.
- Gross motor skills indoor and outdoor through various movement activities including stop - start games and moving in different ways, including running, jumping and hopping.

As members of our community, we will:

- Learn simple classroom rules. For example: routines, sharing equipment, working hard and being kind to each other.
- Begin to understand the concept of teamwork in the classroom by sharing equipment, listening to others, helping friends etc.
- Talk about people who are special to us during circle time activities.
- Independently manage hygiene routines such as toileting and hand washing.

As enterprising people we will:

- Share equipment and take turns.
- Get to know our friends and participate in circle time activities.
- Interact with our peers when working in the different areas of Foundation One.

As creators, we will:

- Learn the paint mixing sequence - water, sponge, paint, palette.
- Print leaf patterns using leaves collected from the woodlands during Muddy Monday.
- Sing nursery rhymes and songs related to our theme, including 'Five little ducks', 'I went to visit a farm one day' and 'Old Macdonald'.
- Explore instruments by banging, shaking and tapping, showing interest in the ways they sound.
- Create cut and stick collages of farm animals.

The personal, social and emotional skills that we are developing are:

- Being able to express our feelings such as sad, happy, scared or worried.
- Share and take turns with our friends.
- Develop self-confidence by separating from our carer.
- Show self-awareness by talking about people and events in our lives.
- Follow rules, routines and expectations.



On **Friday 18th October 2019** we will be holding a 'Parent Workshop' which you are invited to attend. We will be demonstrating various practical based activities to help support and develop fine motor control and a comfortable pencil grip. These will hopefully give you many ideas to support your child to develop these vital skills at home.

AM Session 11.15am
PM Session 3pm