



Reception Newsletter

Summer 1



Our topic this half term is: *Down on the farm*

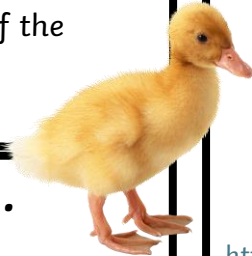
Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Easter break.

Throughout this half term we will be learning about farmyard animals and showing care and concern for living things and the environment. To enhance the children's understanding of this topic we will be going on a trip to the farm, and we will observe ducklings growing in our classroom. Children will be encouraged to make observations of the natural world around them by drawing pictures of animals and plants.

We will be having a class competition to see which class can grow the tallest sunflower! We will also be going on a walk down to St. Peter's Church to help us understand which places are special to some people and why.

If you have any questions or worries, please come and speak to us at the end of the school day.

Thank you, Miss Durrant and Mrs Wilson.



You can help by...

- Talking to your child about what animals and plants you see when you are out and about.
- Continuing to read with and to your child as often as you can. This really helps embed the learning that is happening at school.
- Practising counting, recognising and writing numbers 1-20 with your child.



We will also be...

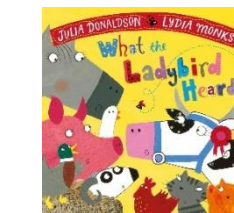
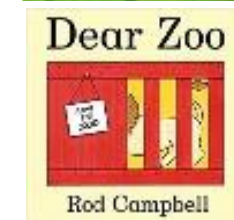
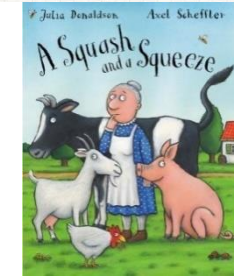
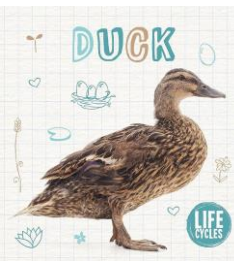
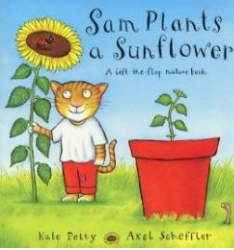
- Creating Lydia Monks inspired pictures and learning to draw animals using shapes.
- Designing and building our own farms in the construction area.
- Talking about special places in RE.
- **PE day will continue to be FRIDAY.**

English

We will be reading lots of stories linked to our topic, 'Down on the Farm'.

In phonics we will continue to use Little Wandle to consolidate the knowledge of **phase 3 digraphs**. During this half term children will learn how to blend and segment **longer words** including 2 digraphs, **words ending in -ing, compound words** and **plural words with ending s and es**.

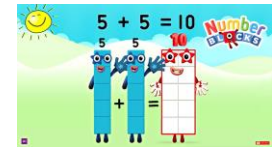
Tricky words we will be revising this half term are: **all, are, by, my, pure, sure, they, was, you.**



Maths

In maths we will be exploring lots of different concepts:

- Composition of numbers up to 10 (including addition and take away).
- Comparing numbers.
- Naming and describing 2D and 3D shapes.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks>

Our theme for Collective Worship is:

Truthfulness



DATES:

Tuesday 22nd April – Healthy inside and out day.
 Monday 5th May – Bank Holiday Monday (no school)
 Wednesday 7th May – Trip to Cannon Hall Farm
 Thursday 8th May – Stay and Scrap 9:00 – 10:00
 Friday 23rd May – Break up for Half Term