Communication and Language

Role-play: Farmers market + cafe and Farm vets.

We will build our vocabulary through class discussions and daily interactions focused on the topic of farms, homes, the countryside compared to the town, and the animals on a farm. We will learn rhymes and songs related to farms and animals.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our focus will be on settling into Nursery and Reception, building relationships and developing friendships. The children will be encouraged to feel safe, happy and confident in their new environment, while learning our routines and expectations. We will also support the children in talking about their feelings, becoming more independent and developing confidence when trying new things.



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Physical Development

This term in PE lessons, children will be doing gymnastics around the topic of animals. They will Create a short sequence; travel, stretch, jump, roll and begin to balance with control.

In the provision and through adult-led activities, we will develop fine and gross motor skills.

-Fine motor skills-cutting, threading, pencil control, play-dough tools, Dough Disco

-Gross motor skills-exploring how we can move in different ways, balance and coordination, ribbon dance and squiggle while you wiggle

Understanding the World

Geography – At the Farm

This half term we will be learning all about the farms. The children will find out about arable, livestock and dairy farms and the difference between them. They will learn about the features of a farm and use a map to navigate around a farm, as well as thinking about the differences between life in the country and life in a busy town.

Science- My Body

We will be learning all about our bodies and our five senses. The children will explore and name different body parts and talk about how we use them in our everyday activities. We will investigate how we see, hear, smell, taste and touch, using fun, hands-on activities to discover how our senses help us explore and understand the world around us.

RE: We will explore the Christian belief that God created the heavens and the earth. They will learn the key events from the creation story, that Christians believe the earth and everything in it belongs to God and that God gave people the job of taking care it.

Maths:

Reception

This half term reception will be consolidating and securing their understanding of numbers to 4 including subitising (seeing an amount without counting), counting skills, composition and comparison

Nursery

This half term nursery will be learning about colours and different ways of sorting objects in their mathematical learning.

Expressive arts and Design

Art – Explore and draw

In art this term the children will be introduced to the idea that artists are inspired by the world around them. We will collect interesting natural objects from outside, draw, paint and organise them.

Music – Keeping the pulse

This half term in music, we will be exploring pulse, exploring sound patterns using our bodies and voice, and using percussion instruments to demonstrate this.

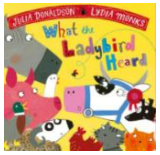
Literacy

Focus books for Autumn 1









We will use the focus books above for our main literacy learning. In addition, we will read stories about families and homes, talking about our own families, homes and the areas we live in.

Reception children will take part in daily phonics lessons following Little Wandle phase 2 and will practise letter formation. Nursery children will take part in Little Wandle 'foundations of phonics' and rhyme time learning.