

Reception Spring Term 1

Do cows drink milk?

This half term we will be learning about farms. A farm is a piece of land used to grow crops and/or raise animals for produce. People who grow this produce are called "farmers", and their work is called "farming". Farms come in all shapes and sizes, with some being very large and others very small. There are many types of farming.

We will learn about different types of farms: arable, pastoral and mixed and what they do. Later, we will focus on animals and plants which are grown on farms. The animals have body parts that are used by people for products like wool and milk and for meat. To grow well these animals and plants have needs that must be met. We will be going to a local farm to see some animals.

PSED

This term in PSED children will be learning about my safety. This topic will cover learning how to be a good friend, how to stay safe and how to keep others safe.

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**Trip:
Hackney City Farm**

**Date:
Tuesday 14th January**

Key Information

Your child will be given a RWI book and a storybook every Wednesday to take home. Please read with your child and sign the reading record everyday.

Book bags with books and reading records should be brought to school every day. Research shows reading even five minutes a day can boost your child's development.

Please make sure your child's PE kit comes into school every Monday and is collected on Friday.

PE Kit: House colour top, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and plimsolls/trainers.

Children must also bring their full school uniform with them to school to change back into on PE days as they cannot stay in their PE Kit.

Our PE day is Wednesday.

Please read with your child and sign the Reading Log book every day. You can read any book you like so please take time to visit the local library to expand the books available for reading.

English

We will be reading a variety of books:

'Chicken Clicking' by T. Ross, 'Farmer Duck' by Martin Waddell, 'The Pig in a Pond' by M. Waddell and many other interesting books.

Students will continue to form the letters correctly so that they can start writing labels and their name. We will be focusing on hearing and writing the sounds of the word, -students will be challenged to start writing simple phrases and sentences.

PSED

We will focus on healthy living, exercising and healthy eating. We will be doing some experiments in class to find out why exercising or washing hands is so important. Students will be working in teams to learn collaboration skills as well as practice communication skills. We are learning to work, play and learn as a team.

Mathematics

We will be learning about composing and decomposing 2D shapes and numbers 6-10.

Children will learn to:

- Explore composition of numbers 6-10
- Compose and decompose shapes
- Count objects and actions up to 10
- Subitise
- Recognise numbers 6-10

Computing

Reception children will be taking pictures of each other on the ipad, acquiring basic skills in turning on and operating ICT equipment. We will be encouraging students to learn how to find information on the Internet when they can not find the answer in the books.

You might like to join in with our learning at home by:

Reading

- Find our English texts at the local library.

Watching

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies> You can watch Alphablocks and Numberblocks, videos about animals and enjoy art activities!

Doing

- Visiting a local farm or a zoo to see animals (you can do this with your family!)