

Friday 18th September 2020

Year group: Reception

Classes: Chestnut, Maple, Oak

Teachers: Mrs Hassell, Mrs Robinson, Miss Hackett. Miss Churchill

Curriculum Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

This half term our topic is; On the Farm. We will be learning about; different animals that live on farms, where food comes from, what vehicles are used on a farm, farms in Harefield. We will also learn about Harvest festival.

Thank you

Reception Team

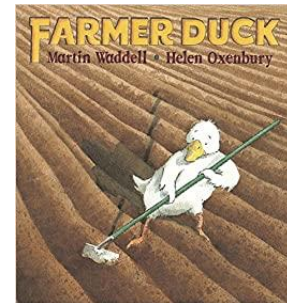
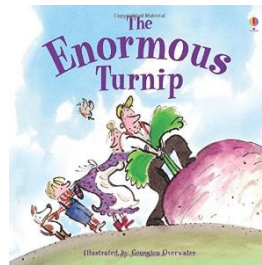
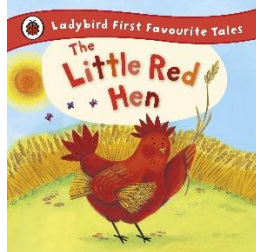
<p>Literacy Key Texts The Little Red Hen Farmer Duck The Enormous Turnip</p> <p>We will be learning to; Write our names correctly. Retell familiar stories. Create story maps. Link letters to sounds. Rhyme words. Join in with stories.</p> <p>At home you could; Help your child learn how to write their name correctly. Read lots of stories and talk about them/retell them in own words. Play rhyming games.</p> <p>Personal, Social and Emotional Development Our JIGSAW topic is; Being me in my World. We will be learning all about what makes us unique/same and to respect differences. We will be learning to follow the school rules. At home you could; Talk about your child's special talents and interests. Talk about your family. Go through the school rules.</p>	<p>Number</p> <p>We will be learning to; Match amounts to numbers. Sort objects according to different criteria. Compare amounts of objects. We will introduce the number of the week. This will start on week beginning 21/9/20 with the number one. At home you could; Sort your child's toys into different categories. For example; by colour, size, hard or soft or any other category your child can think of. Count the objects in each group. Which has more, less or the same? Use number cards 1-10 to match to the totals in each group.</p> <p>Communication and Language</p> <p>We are learning to; Listen to and talk about stories. Respond to questions. Follow instructions At home you could; Share lots of stories and talk about what happened in them. Give your child simple instructions to follow and praise them when they do so.</p>	<p>Physical Development</p> <p>We will be learning to; Hold a pencil correctly using the tripod grip. Form the letters of our name correctly. Move safely in and around obstacles including our outside climbing equipment.</p> <p>We have PE every Wednesday, starting 30th September. This half term we will be outside. All children should wear joggers/shorts, plain white t-shirt and black trainers on Wednesday.</p> <p>At home you could; Help your child learn how to hold a pencil correctly. Help your child learn how to form the letters of their name correctly. Go to the park or in the garden and create obstacle courses to move around safely in different ways; walking, hopping, climbing.....</p>	<p>Expressive Arts and Design</p> <p>We will be learning to; Draw and paint representational images of animals. Follow a beat in music, changing tempo. Use props to tell stories following our own interests in the role-play areas. At home you could; Spend time drawing and painting with your child, modelling the shapes you use. See if your child can copy a clapping or tapping pattern you create. You could take turns creating a pattern. Set up role play areas and take on different roles when playing with your child. For example a shop or café.</p> <p>Understanding World</p> <p>We will be learning about; Harvest Festival How food grows, where food comes from. How bread is made. How farms have changed over time.</p>
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Praise your child when they come home with a feather or prize from the prize box.

We will also take part in Black History Month in October.

At home you could;
Talk about where the food you eat comes from and how it is made.
Talk about how you celebrated Harvest Festival when you were a child.

We hope you have as much fun at home as we will be having in class!



We would love to see any work you complete at home around our topic. Or if your child has or does visit a farm we would love to see some photos.

To share your child's work or experiences with us please email your child's class teacher.

Chestnut Class- chestnutclass@harefieldinfants.co.uk

Maple- mapleclass@harefieldinfants.co.uk

Oak Class- oakclass@harefieldinfants.co.uk

Activity Money

In Reception we love to cook, taste new foods, watch plants grow and take part in messy play. Your Activity Money contributions really support us with providing exciting learning experiences for your child.

We kindly ask for voluntary contributions of £2.50 per half term. This can be given directly to your child's class teacher.

Thank you
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