

Communication and Language

- Use Role-Play Masks to create own farm stories.
- Create a Farm-Themed Role-Play area and encourage the children to use language to engage in imaginative play.
- Place images of different farm animals around your setting. Can the children name each of the animals?
- Use Display Photos and small world toys in to a large activity tray. Talk about the different animals and match the toys to the photos.
- Create a Farm Sensory Bottle containing soil, hay and small world farm animals for children to use and talk about what they can see.
- Add small world farm animals to boxes on an activity tray to make animal homes.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural dev

School council, school assemblies,
Class rules, PSHE, Music.

Physical Development.

- Salt dough/ play-doh pig making (OT)
- Create woolly sheep with cotton wool and glue.
- Finger painting for mud to pictures of pigs and piglets.
- Mark making in soil and grain.
- Green and brown playdough with small world farm animals.
- On the farm colouring sheets.
- Gloopy mud- use fine motor skills and tweezers to free the pigs.
- Bowls of soapy water and small brushes to clean the animals.
- Large scale drawing of animals.

Elm Class- Spring 2020 Science- Living things and their habitats

National Curriculum:

*Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive.
Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.
Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats.
Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.*

Understanding of the World

- Use photos to discuss different animals that might be found on a farm.
- Visit a farm to see the animals.
- Listen to stories about farmyards (audiobooks as well as IWB).
- 2paint on 2 simple to pant farm animals.
- Create habitats for the animals using a selection of materials.
- Talk about crops that might be found on a farm such as vegetables.
- Grow some crops such as beans, potatoes and carrots. Encourage children to care for the plants as they grow.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Use Farm Animal Display Photos as a prompt to discuss different types of farm animals. Talk about favourites and why the children like those animals.
- Play a parachute game to encourage children to work together. Place a soft toy horse on to a parachute and ask the children to work together to make the horse jump. Challenge the children to make the horse jump high into the air or jump low to the ground.
- Introduce using 'gentle hands' with friends by encouraging the children to first use their gentle hands when stroking soft toy animals of different farm animals.
- Farm Animals Bingo Game could be used with small groups of children to practise turn-taking skills.
- Learn the song 'Old McDonald Had a Farm' and perform it together as a group.
- Learn the Makaton signs for animals that live on a farm.
- Create a treasure basket with soil, hay, small world animals etc.- explore the farm treasures together.
- Create a stable for horses to live in using small world resources.
- Role play outside to create habitats for farm animals.

Mathematics

- Counting games of small world farm animals.
- Farm counting songs 5 little ducks.
- Paper shapes to make pig faces.
- Numbered ducks to count in water tray.
- Sorting games of farm animals.
- Reading numerals in tuff tray.
- Different sizes of farm animals
- Mark making in 'blue water' shaving foam.

Expressive art and design

- Marble painting on pink paper pigs with brown paint.
- Explore different percussion instruments to represent different farm animals.
- Learn new farm themed songs.
- Explore colour mixing- red and white paint to explore making pink to make pink pigs.
- Mix grey for donkeys and goats.
- Junk modelling to make tractors and animal homes.
- Toy tractor wheel painting.
- Explore different prints and patterns using wellington boots.
- Large box modelling to make tractors, barns, animal homes.

RE (festivals and celebrations)/ PSHE Wider community

- Chinese New Year (25/01/20)
- Road Safety Week (4/02/20)
- Shrove Tuesday (25/02/20)
- World Book Day (5/03/20)
- Mother's Day (22/03/20)
- Easter (12/03/20)
- Queen's Birthday (19/04/20)