

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Sharing – The Little Red Hen
Safety on the farm – machinery, washing hands etc
Following indoor rules more precise
Talk about if they have been to a farm before, what animals do they know? What do they look like?

Understanding of the World

Investigate animal coverings – fur/feathers/skin/wool
Duck pond in the water tray
Small world farm
Visit to Farm
Role play area – Farm Shop/Animal Barn
Growing own food i.e. carrots, cress, peas

Expressive Arts and Design

Weaving with wool
Making a farm collage
Farm animal masks
Make a scarecrow
Make homes for small world farm animals – hen house/pig sty/barn
Mixing colours – pink for pigs/brown for horses

Songs and rhymes

Old McDonald had a farm
5 little ducks
Little Bo Peep
Mary had a little lamb
Baa Baa Black sheep
Farmer's in his den

Literacy

Alliteration with initial sound e.g. clumsy cow, happy horse
I spy – Initial sound of animals
Lists of animals found on a farm
Write labels for farm animals
Letter formation in grains and beans using sticks
Use some recorded sounds for a guess the animal game! Play sounds, such as 'neigh', 'moo', 'oink' and 'baa' and challenge children to identify the different farm animals.

Communication and Language

Act out stories (e.g. The Enormous Turnip/ The Three Little Pigs)
Animal sounds listening games
Discussion about trip and talking about the photographs taken
Describe animals they know on the farm: Has black spots, has wings etc

Topic:

'Farm'

Term:

Summer 1

Nursery



Text(s):

- Rosie's walk
- Farmer Duck
- Farmyard hullabuloo
- Little Red Hen
- Oliver's vegetables

Hook



Trip to farm with
Reception Class

Physical Development

Spades and buckets for digging the vegetables out
Animal parachute game
Healthy foods: What do our local farms grow that are healthy?
Sorting health and unhealthy foods
Obstacle courses for variety of movement

Mathematics

Counting animals
Sequence animals e.g. 1 pig, 2 sheep, 1 pig, 2 sheep
Weighing different farm materials: wheat, seeds etc
Sort animals – either different types of animal, or adult and baby animals, or farm animals from zoo animals
Sort harvest produce into fruit and vegetables
Ordering length of farm produce i.e. carrots
Sorting farm animals into different categories
Spread number tiles, 1-10, on the floor and add a basket of small world farm animals. The children can match the quantity of toys to the numeral written on the tile.

Outdoor Provision

Farm story stones
Farm tuff tray with tractors, animals and hay
Play stuck in the mud and become scarecrows
Bowls of soapy water and small brushes or sponges, along with some small world pigs covered in muddy brown paint, for children to clean.