

Down On The Farm Year R Summer 1



Key Learning

During Summer 1, the children in Reception will be focussing their learning around farmyards. To start this topic, we will be going on a school trip to visit Longdown Farm, where the children will have lots of opportunities to see, touch, hold, feed and learn about farm animals.

We will be learning what a farm is and why we have farms. We will explore the produce that farmers grow/produce (including meat, milk, eggs, wool, plants, grains, etc) and will learn about where our food comes from. E.g. where eggs come from and what we use eggs for. The children will be invited to participate in Farm Dress Up Day, which will involve lots of fun activities, such as creating masks, fun games and even a Barnyard Dance! Using all the information that the children will have learnt at this point, they will then be asked to create their own riddles for a farm animal!

There are some exciting visitors this half term— the children will learn about tractors, what they are used for and how they have changed over the years within farming.

We are going to end the half term by focussing on the traditional tale of ‘The Three Little Pigs’ which will provide lots of opportunities for learning and retelling the story!

Memorable Moments and Experiences

Longdown Farm Trip



Farm Dress Up Day



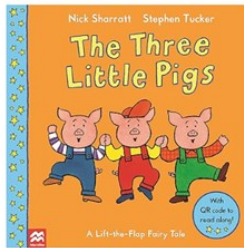
Tractor Visit



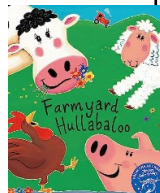
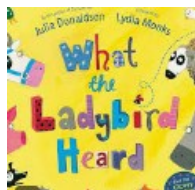
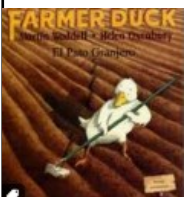
Chickens to visit



Text Drivers



Key Texts



Hook

Trip to the farm.
Farm Dress Up Day
Curiosity box for The Three Little Pigs
Visits from the tractors, chickens and

Curious Questions

What is a farm?
Why do we have farms?
Where does our food come from?

Key skills

To explore the natural world around us.
To use full sentences to explain.
To use questioning to clarify understanding.
To talk about the lives of people around us and their roles in society—Farmers
To know some similarities and differences between farming in the past and in the present.

Enhancements

Role play – Farmers Market, Three Little Pigs
Vegetable Patch—Planting vegetables
Herb Garden—using crops
Tractor visits
Chicken and Guinea Pig visits.

Outstanding Outcomes

Describe what they can see, hear and smell.
Barnyard Dance
Clay farmyard animals
Performances of ‘The Three Little Pigs’

To manage our own needs—hygiene and keeping safe.
To use a range of techniques to sculpt with materials such as playdough and clay.
To use our voices to retell a story confidently.