

Dear Parents,

We will be using the theme of 'On The Farm' to introduce your child to different areas of learning. If you would like to follow this up at home here are a few ideas to try!

Talking & Listening

- Talk about the food in your home. Which ones would have been grown on farms?
- Listen and copy the sounds made by farm animals. Take it in turns to play 'I know an animal that makes this sound...'
- Talk about where wool comes from. When you sort the washing, look at the labels on clothes to see which ones are made from wool.

Making

- Collect shiny objects such as unwanted CDs and spoons. Attach string and hang them up outside near plants that need to be protected from the birds.
- Use pictures cut from wrapping paper, magazines and greetings card to make a large collage of a farm.
- Make dolly peg or wooden spoon puppet farmers. Use boxes to make a farm or farm shop.

Books

- Visit the library to look for non-fiction books about farming.
- Together search for and learn to recite rhymes and sing songs that feature farm animals and farmers such as 'Three Blind Mice' & 'The Farmer's In His Den.'

In The Kitchen

- Make biscuits in the shape of farmers, fruits, vegetables and farm animals.
- Make bread using dried yeast. Follow the recipe and discuss where the flour came from.

What Are The Opportunities For Learning?

- Becoming more aware of the jobs done to provide food for shops and markets to sell.
- Experience of handling different materials
- Asking questions, investigating and exploring
- Collaborating and sharing while playing and making.
- Enjoying singing, stories and talking.