

## EYFS Newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

This week we focused our learning on farm animals and what they give us, such as eggs, milk, wool and meat.

We had two dogs visit us and we learned how to take care of them. We also enjoyed stroking the dogs.

### Nursery

During child-initiated activities in the Nursery, the children enjoyed exploring a farm sensory tray, drawing farm animals, making prints with animals and tractors and playing in our pet shop role-play area.

In Mini-Woodies, we have been making mud hedgehogs and we discussed where hedgehogs live and why they have prickly spines.

### Blue Acorns

In English, we explored a non-fiction book about farm animals and played 'Guess the animal'. The children listened to facts about different farm animals and tried to guess which animal it was.

In Mathematics, we continued to learn about representing numbers to 3 in different ways. The children enjoyed listening to the song 'When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears' and counting objects in the bears' house.

In Phonics, we learned the phoneme 'r'. The children played oral blending games and blended words with the phoneme **rrrr** such as red, rug, rock, road and rat.

### Reception

In English, we listened to the story Little Red Hen and answered questions about the story in full sentences. The children talked about different farm animals and then wrote a sentence about what Little Red Hen will make next.

In Mathematics, the children sang '10 little ducks' and used tens frames to represent different numbers to 10.

In Phonics, the children have been looking at longer words with double letters such as; pattern, muffin, shimmer, rubber and buzzer.

In Mini-Woodies, the children learnt to play the game 'noughts and crosses'. The children drew their own grids using sticks and mud. The children loved playing and seeing if they could block their friend from winning!

During child-initiated activities, the children enjoyed creating narratives using farm animals. They also enjoyed exploring different food the Little Red Hen could make next using playdough. In art, the children had the opportunity to make a farm collage using different materials such as watercolours, cotton wool, sugar paper and tissue paper.

**This week's Makaton sign is:**

Happy



**CPS authors of the week:**

Nursery – Steven

Reception – Lila B.

**Nursery Number focus:**

5

**Reception Number focus:**

12

**Nursery Marvellous  
Mathematicians:**

Isabelle C.

**Reception Marvellous  
Mathematicians:**

Adeline

**Nursery Weekly Song:**

Old MacDonald

**Nursery Phoneme of the Week:**

r













## NOTICES:

**Waterproofs and Wellies** - Please ensure that your child has waterproofs and wellies in school.

**Spare clothes** – Each child should have their own set of spare clothes (top, bottom, underwear and socks) labelled in school. Please label all clothes and shoes.

**Water bottles** – Please ensure that your child has a water bottle every day in school. Please support us in teaching your child to understand when they need to drink water and to be independent with their self-care.

**Milk** – Children under 5 will be offered milk throughout the day. When your child turns 5 you can opt in to the milk scheme. Please contact the school office.

**Packed Lunches** – Please be aware that we are a nut and sesame free school due to allergies. Please do not send any products containing sesame or nuts in your child's packed lunch.

**Parent communication** – Please remember if you have any questions or concerns you should first contact your child's class teacher followed by the EYFS lead. We are happy to discuss any questions that may arise regarding your child's learning.

**Whole School Newsletter** – Please also read the whole school newsletter as it contains lots of useful information and dates for your diary.

We thank you, as always, for your continuing support.  
Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

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