

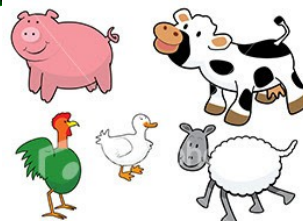
Our Ethos - It takes a whole community to raise a child



What's happening at Nursery School !

Monday 21st March to Thursday 24th March 2016

Thank you to all of you who have already paid for the Ash End Farm Trip. If you haven't been able to pay yet then please pay before Thursday 24th March as we need to confirm the numbers attending before the Easter holidays.



During the Easter holidays we hope that you will take some time to start to talk to your child about the animals that we will see when we visit Ash End Farm on Wednesday 20th April. Preparing your child before this kind of experience will really give them an advantage in their learning as they will recognize things that they see and talk about them more as they will be familiar to them.

Why not try to :-

Name the things you might see on a farm- tractors, fields, scarecrow, farm animals - their names and the names of the their young , sheep, lambs, cows, calves, pigs, piglets. Talk about the parts of the animals- tail, hooves, beaks, feathers, fur, udders, ears, manes.

See how many more farm words you can think of!!!!

The children have been busy gardening at Nursery school, planting seeds and bulbs. Getting out and about in the garden is a really fun way of helping your child to learn more about the world around them. Growing and tending to plants and flowers or even just examining leaves and soil helps your child start to understand about life cycles and where food comes from. We are still hoping that some of you who have "green fingers" will come along and volunteer to help with our allotment area.

Just let a member of staff know if you are able to give up some of your time to help.





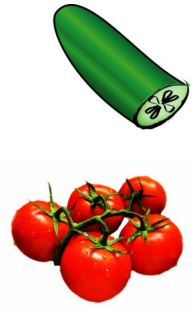
Fruit and vegetables for the café

Please can children in Squirrels and Owls

bring in a few pieces of fruit or vegetables (such as carrots, cucumber or small tomatoes) this week?



The week after will be the turn of Caterpillars



Please don't forget to bring into Nursery school any of the following items for our next art project with the artist Sally Harper:-

Beads or old jewellery that is made of beads, old ceramic cups/plates/dishes/mugs that may be chipped or no longer needed. BUT NOT GLASSWARE.

Any ceramic tiles left over from retiling the kitchen or bathroom, any spare cutlery, glass beads or marbles. If you have something but are not sure if its what we need just ask the staff to check.

Parent Consultations taking place this week

Monday 21st March - Hedgehogs

Tuesday 22nd March - Squirrels and Butterflies (beg of week)

Wednesday 23rd March - Caterpillars

Thursday 24th March - Woodpeckers

Advanced notice

Easter Holidays The last day of the Spring term will be Thursday 24th March. School is closed to all children from Friday 25th March to Monday 11th April.

Monday 11th April is a staff training day and the Nursery school is closed to children.

Wednesday 20th April Trip to Ash End Farm

Thursday 5th May Nursery school will be closed for the Local Elections and West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner election will take place and the Nursery school will be closed.

Wednesday 25th May Nursery school will be closed for induction sessions for new children starting with us in September 2015.

School Telephone Number to report lateness or absences:- **0121 675 3408**

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