

Half-termly planning overview Year R - Spring Term 2



Enquiry question: What food do we get from farms?

Harmony principle: The principle of the Cycle

Great Work: Performing a *Three Little Pigs* dance

Partners in learning: Local farm or mobile farm

Sustainability theme: Finding out where our food comes from



Weekly Questions						
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
	Where do chicks come from? (life cycle of a chicken)	What happens in the book <i>Charlie Chick Finds an Egg</i>?	How do farmers look after animals?	Why do farmers use scarecrows?	How will I retell the story of <i>The Three Little Pigs</i>?	What will we include in our dance of <i>The Three Little Pigs</i>?
WEEKLY STARTER	What do I notice about an egg when I look at it, touch it, hold it and crack it open?	What clues will help us on an egg treasure hunt?	What will we see and learn on a farm visit?	What different types of seeds can I plant to grow different types of food?	What materials can I use to build a den?	What farm animal mask will I make?
GEOMETRY	Why is an egg the shape it is? (tracing, sketching, printing egg shapes)	Do all eggs look the same? (matching birds with eggs)	What do farm animals' footprints look like? (tracing, sketching, printing, observing)	What shape are different seeds? (comparing different seeds)	How will I draw and cut out a spiral pig's tail?	What shapes can we make with our bodies? (dance)
COMM & LANGUAGE	What will we call our chicks when they hatch?	What will I say when I pretend to be Charlie Chick? (hot seating)	What questions would I like to ask a farmer?	Which words will help me explain how to make a scarecrow?	What do the characters in <i>The Three Little Pigs</i> say? (drama)	What facts do I know about farm animals?
PHYSICAL DEV	How can my body move to music? How well can I holepunch around an egg shape?	How can I make a pattern with my body? How can I thread an egg-shaped pattern?	How can I dance with a partner? How can I use tweezers to pick up feathers?	What are my favourite dance movements? How will I pick up seeds using different tools?	What movements will tell a story? How can I build a house using twigs and playdough?	How do I perform a dance for an audience?
PERS, SOC & EMO DEV	What can we do to nurture our class eggs?	What is the best way to care for chicks?	What do animals need to survive?	Why is the scarecrow sad? (read <i>The Scarecrow</i> by Beth Ferry)	How can we help our friends or siblings?	What do I need from a friend or sibling?
LITERACY	What is the life cycle of a chicken? (label writing)	How can we make 'lift the flap' books to sequence the story of Charlie Chick?	What do I remember about our farm visit? (writing captions for photos)	What makes good instructions about making a scarecrow?	How will I retell the story of <i>The Three Little Pigs</i> ?	What will I include in a fact book about farm animals?
MATHS	How many eggs are there? What is one more? One less?	How can I describe 2D shapes?	What does a farmer do each day? (telling the time)	How well can I add groups of seeds? (including estimation)	How well can I take away using sticks?	What is your favourite farm animal? (data handling)
UTW	Where do chicks come from? What do they grow into? What can I find out about eggs online?	Which farm animals hatch from eggs? How can I use the fill/shape tools to make a farm picture? (1)	What food do we get from farm animals? (milk, eggs) How can I use the fill/shape tools to make a picture? (2)	What food do we get from plants? What food can we grow? What can I find out about farms online?	What material can we use to build a strong house for the pigs? How do I record myself telling a story?	How can we care for animals? What are our favourite farm animals and why?
EXPR ARTS & DESIGN	How can I use watercolour paints to paint an egg picture?	How can I use feathers in art?	What different ways can I represent animal footprints?	How will I make a scarecrow model?	What natural materials will I use in my collage?	How do I mix colours using only red, blue and yellow?
NOTES	Begin to incubate live eggs	Supply of feathers needed	Visit to a local farm or visit from mobile farm	Supply of large seeds needed	Collect natural materials for collage	GREAT WORK Performing a <i>Three Little Pigs</i> dance for family members and carers