

Early Years Weekly Overview

Dear Nursery,
Every Monday, you will see the weekly overview that sets out our learning for the week on the learning section of our school website. Should you have any questions or if you need any further guidance, please email the Nursery team nursery@alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk.
Thank you, The Nursery Team.

This half term our topic is: Farm Animals

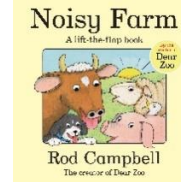
This week we are focusing on: Noisy Farm

Personal, Social and Emotional development

This week we will be encouraging the children to take on the responsibility of carry out small tasks. At school this will be tasks like helping to make playdough, putting the water trays away and tidying away the toys. At home you could give your child some extra responsibilities too. For example, picking up toys, washing some plates, dusting the shelves.

Communication and Language

This week we will be focussing on on the book:



Watch a video of the story here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spS8GaRvplQ>

Physical Development

This week the children will continue to take part in activities that encourage them to explore mark making. They will have chunky chalks on the floor outside, large and small scale painting, writing opportunities in the farm shop role play and many more.

We will also encourage the children to take part in group activities. We will start by carrying the big outdoor waffle blocks and working together to construct a farm building.

This week's key vocabulary

Farm, rooster, tractor, rabbit, cow, pig, hen, sheep, duck, dog

Literacy

After listening to the story 'Noisy Farm' a few times we will be encouraging the children to recall what will happen and tell us what is on the next page.

Next week your child will bring home their first Lilac (wordless reading book). Please watch this video and read the information provided to support you further with using these books at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEPr2ow1kaY>

https://www.alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk/images/uploads/pdfs/Early_Years_-_Nursery_-_Wordless_Books.pdf

Maths

This week we will be investigating weight and thinking about how some objects are heavier or lighter than others.

We will encourage the children to use the words heavy, light, heavier and lighter when comparing objects around the Nursery.



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Phonics	Topic/Reading	Time to Talk
<p>This week our focus is on alliteration. The children will be listening to, repeating and saying words that begin with the same sounds.</p> <p>We will mainly focus on words that begin with the ‘i’ sound. The children can play with toy insects and igloos.</p> <p>If you would like more support on teaching alliteration here are the links to our website:</p> <p>Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VdNI75_ZvOY&feature=youtu.be</p> <p>Guidance: https://www.alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk/images/uploads/pdfs/Nursery_PHASE_1.pdf</p>	<p>CBeebies has a good selection of games and videos to build the children’s knowledge and vocabulary of farm animals:</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/games/embed/g7rh7b3d4q?exitGameUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.bbc.co.uk%2Fcbabies%2Fgames%2Fdown-on-the-farm-a-year-on-your-farm</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games/topsy-and-tim-at-the-farm</p> <p>Listening game: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4GhEGU0wUc0</p>	<p><i>You may ask your child what they have done at Nursery and they might be unable to tell you. By asking them a more specific question, it will support them to respond. Each week we will offer a suggestion of a topic to talk about with your child.</i></p> <p>Ask your child...</p> <p>Tell me about the farm shop in the garden. What animals are in the story ‘Noisy Farm’? Tell me something that you liked to play with today. Tell me about singing time today.</p>