



HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
**FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY**

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# **On The Farm**



**Foundation Stage  
Summer Term 2011**

# **Over the next few weeks, your child will be working on the topic of On the Farm!**

**They will be taking part in a series of exciting activities, including:**

- **Getting some chickens!**
- **Researching how to look after chickens**
- **Constructing a container to store eggs in**
- **Explore natural materials we get from farm animals: feathers, wool,**
- **Making observational drawings of our chickens**
- **Looking at the many ways we can cook eggs**
- **Sorting farm animals by their different properties**
- **Looking at the life cycle of a chicken**
- **Matching animals with their young**

**Your child needs your help and involvement!  
Please get involved by:**

- ☐ **Taking your child to the library and find out about farms and farm animals**
- ☐ **Research on the internet how to look after chickens-send any information you find in for our chicken research board!**
- ☐ **Visit some local farms**
- ☐ **Talk about familiar foods that animals produce**

**What does your child know about the topic On The Farm?**

**Before the Topic...**

**After the Topic...**

**Sit down with your child and help them record what they know about the topics, BEFORE and then AFTER they have learnt about it at school.**

# What else is happening?

## SEAL Time

Each term, we focus on a particular aspect of Social & Emotional Aspects of Learning (S.E.A.L).

This term, we will be looking at the theme of 'Relationships!'

## Bikes and scooters

We now keep our wheeled vehicles chained up outside the reception fence. Please ensure that your children do not try to use these before or after school. Thank you for your support with this.

## Summer is here!

Please ensure that your child is safe in the sun by doing the following:

- Ensure that you apply suntan lotion before school (even on cloudy days as the weather can be very changeable)
- Ensure that your child has a sunhat (with their name on) in school every day
- Reception children can bring in a bottle of water (due to allergies we cannot allow juice or squash. We will pour away any drinks that are not water.)

## Resources you could donate

In this topic the following resources would be very useful:

- Feathers
- Pictures of farm animals
- Information about looking after chickens
- Examples of wool
- Photos of your child at a farm (we will photocopy these and return the original)

These items will be used on a daily basis by the children so unfortunately we will not be able to return them to you.

## Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every Morning 8-8.50am
Nursery Lunch Club	Every Lunchtime 11.30-12.30
Foundation Stage Multi Skills	Tuesdays 3.15-4.15
Cheerleading Club	Wednesdays 3.15-4.30
Games Library	Fridays 8.50am 9.10am

## Forthcoming Events

Reception Multi-skills @ Barclay	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 1-3
Trip to Standalone Farm	TBA