



Reception Newsletter

Summer Term June 2026



Welcome back Reception!

We can't wait for our last half-term together. Our new topic is The Farm!

PE days

Friday for both classes.

Upcoming events & other news

The children will be doing forest school every Friday this term.

What we're learning this half term

English

This half-term, Reception children will enjoy exploring our exciting new topic, 'The Farm'. We will read a range of fun and engaging stories linked to farm life, helping the children to develop their listening, speaking, comprehension and early reading skills. Through these stories, the children will learn about different farm animals, life on a farm, how food is grown and the important jobs that farmers do. We will encourage the children to talk about the characters, retell events from the stories and share their own ideas and experiences. Alongside our story sessions, the children will take part in a variety of creative, practical and play-based activities connected to our farm topic.

Maths

In maths, the children will continue to build their confidence and understanding through practical activities, games and hands-on learning experiences. We will be learning about sharing and grouping, helping the children to develop their early understanding of multiplication and division through play and real-life situations. The children will explore how objects can be shared equally and sorted into groups using a variety of resources and activities. We will also spend time consolidating all the learning from across the year, including counting, number recognition, addition, subtraction, patterns, shapes and measuring. Through songs, problem-solving activities and interactive challenges, the children will be encouraged to explain their thinking and apply their mathematical skills with increasing independence.

Understanding the world

In Understanding the World, the children will be learning all about life on the farm. They will explore different farm animals, learn their names and discover the names of their offspring, such as lambs, chicks and calves. We will talk about how animals are cared for and why farms are important. The children will have opportunities to compare animals, discuss where food comes from and learn more about the natural world around them. As part of our topic, we are excited to have a visit from a farm, where the children will have the chance to meet, pet and feed some of the animals. This hands-on experience will help to develop their curiosity, confidence and understanding through memorable real-life learning experiences.

PSED

In PSED, we will read the story Barbara Throws a Wobbler and use it to help the children understand and talk about their feelings and emotions. Through discussions, role play and circle time activities, the children will learn that it is okay to feel angry sometimes and explore positive ways to calm themselves down when they are upset or frustrated. We will practise strategies such as taking deep breaths, talking to an adult, counting to ten and finding a quiet space to relax.

