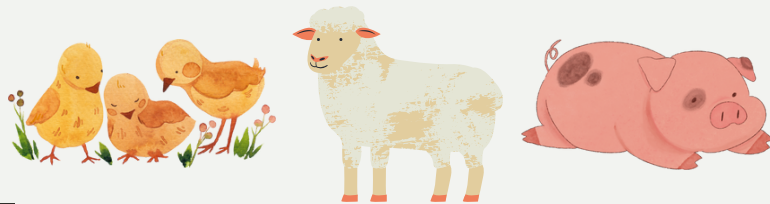


Mrs Macdonald
had a Farm...come and visit
her school this week!



What a wonderful week it has been, with the children engrossed in their learning, whether that be brushing a pig, having a quiet moment in a shady spot, or relishing splashing in water. The teams have worked hard to help the children to keep cool.

The children loved the farm visit from Ark Farm; please take a look at Tapestry for the photos. Thank you to all of those families who made a donation towards this unique experience. Being up close to the animals enables children to engage in first hand learning.



To secure your child's knowledge and make connections in their learning, please:

- Talk to them about the visit
- Playing with model animals
- Reading stories featuring these animals
- Share the photos from Tapestry
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We are asking children to come into school dressed as a farmer, or a farm animal, on Tuesday, to continue this learning thread.

Please read our sun safe information in this letter. You must apply sun cream to your child before they enter school. We will top this up if they are staying all day!

There will be lots of exciting events during this term. Please take note of the dates included in this letter.

Mrs Macdonald



5th May
School Closed
Bank Holiday Monday

Tuesday 6th May
Dress like a Farmer or Farm
Animal Day

Monday 26th May to
Friday 30th June
School Closed
May Half Term

Tuesday 5th June
Peekaboo Photography in school

Weds 11th June
Sports Evening for Nursery
Children and their adults

Tuesday 24th June
5-6:30pm
Teddy Bears Picnic
for Nursery Children and their
adults

Thursday 17th July
Last Day of School
for Pre School

Friday 18th July
10-12
Last Day of Nursery
Celebration

Stay Safe in the Sun

The sun has finally decided to shine! Young children are more likely to get sunstroke than older children or adults.

One experience of sunburn that results in blistering in childhood, doubles the chances of developing a cancerous melanoma later in life.

Therefore we take sun safety seriously at school, and use preventative measures to avoid sun damage.

We keep the children safe in the heat by:

- Providing hats and sunglasses
- Encouraging use of shady parts of the garden
- Access to drinking water
- Applying our generic branded suncream, at lunchtime, to children who stay with us all day.



You need to be responsible for your child's health in the sun by applying a suncream with an SPF of 50 before the start of every session. This should be on their face, neck, arms and other exposed parts of their skin.

Some children may be sensory adverse to the sensation of suncream—you could dress them in a long sleeved UV 'rash' vest, and provide a large brimmed hat as an alternative.

You must let us know if you do this as your child will not have the same protection.

Food Pouches Awareness



The latest episode of BBC Panorama is free to watch:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m002bl1w/panorama-the-truth-about-baby-food-pouches>

This examines the lack of nutritional content, and high sugar content, in food pouches, which are marketed at babies and toddlers.

'Slurping' from the pouch is inadvisable as it is both a choking hazard, and exposes children's developing teeth to excess sugar. This puts them at the risk of tooth decay.

We observe many of these pouches in the childrens lunches at school.

Following guidance please

- **Limit food pouches in school to once a week.**
- **Provide a spoon so your child can squeeze the contents onto the spoon before consuming.**
- **Ensure your child has plenty of fresh, and solid food, which encourages them to chew and develop the muscles in their jaw.**

Reminder: No Waste Wednesday-aim to have no packets in your packed lunch!