

## 19th February

We will start this half term by looking at farmyard animals! The story 'Farmer Duck' by Martin Waddell is an excellent story for young children. Nursery children will learn all about farm animals and their babies. The sense of touch will be used to investigate different materials and textures, feather, wool, rough and smooth. During maths, we will sort and match animals according to different criteria.

## 26<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March

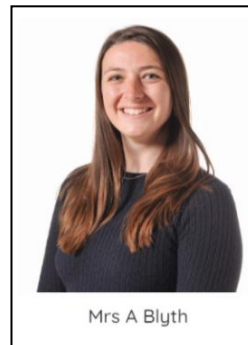
'Oliver's Vegetables' by Alison Bartlett and Vivian French is the focus book over these two weeks. Children will investigate vegetables, learning new vocabulary and begin to understand how vegetables grow on farms and how they get to our plates! We will discuss healthy eating and learn how to cut, prepare and eat our own vegetable soup. Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March is National Planting Day where we will plant our own potato patch to enjoy over the next few months.

## Show and Tell

We love Fridays! Children are encouraged to bring something to talk about! Something that interests them. Then during Friendship Friday, we practise our sharing and taking turn skills with our friends. Starting this term, every Friday we will also begin concluding our topics with looking back at photos taken throughout the week and creating a floor book full of our learning and activities.

## 11<sup>th</sup> March

This week we will be using nonfiction books to learn about life cycles. We will be looking at the lifecycle of different animals. There will be 'Living eggs' in class for the next two weeks so that your child gets first-hand experience of a life cycle from egg to chick. We will also have a visit from "Farm on Wheels" where we will get to interact with different farm animals.



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## Spare Clothing

Sometimes children will have toileting accidents at school or get a bit wet when they are playing in the water. We would appreciate it if the children could keep a bag on their peg with spare pants, socks, trousers and t-shirt so that if they are wet, they can change themselves. You can leave this bag at school if you wish to. Also, please ensure your child's name is on all items of clothing.

## 18<sup>th</sup> March

This week we will be thinking about the special time of 'Easter' for Christians. The Easter story will be shared, and we will think of ways we can show kindness to everyone around us. We will also enjoy an Easter egg hunt and use this opportunity to practise our numeracy skills in a fun way.

## Music Time!

Listening to and creating music helps children learn numeracy, literacy and emotional skills. It has a positive influence on development. It helps them to think, move and be creative. Every Monday children will have a music session with Mr Wilkes!

## Muddy Monday

We are going to be Spring detectives this half term. We will ask questions like, 'How is our forest changing?' What season are we moving into? Why do the trees look different? We will use one of our favourite stories 'Superworm' by Julia Donaldson to support our learning.

## Snack Time

The children will be given a snack every day, either a fruit or vegetable, as well as milk. Please do not bring any other snacks to school so all children in Nursery have the same. It is now your responsibility to provide your child with a labelled water bottle every day.