



# Ernesettle Community School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Wow what another exciting and fun filled term Pre-School have had! In term three our topic will be 'Down on the Farm!' Each week the children will complete a WOW activity linked to our topic during independent learning time.

| Week 1                           | Week 2                                      | Week 3  | Week 4   | Week 5                                  | Week 6            |
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| Matching animals to their young. | Finding out where milk and wool comes from. | Investigating Eggs! Looking inside, touching and smelling them. | Describe it, find it... features of different farm animals | Footprint vegetables/ handprint animals | Planting potatoes |

During our topic, the children will have a chance to learn what it is like to work on a farm. They will discover different types of animals and how they help on a farm. We will get to role play working in a farm shop by having our very own farm shop in the outdoor area.

What an exciting WOW moment we had! The children discovered a scarecrow in the classroom and different types of farm animals. We discussed what the topic might be about and then we read our new topic book for the term, 'Pig in the Pond'. We will be lucky enough to have farm animals visit us in the classroom.



The children will have daily Phonics and Maths session. In Phonics, the children will recap and deepen their understanding of tuning in to different sounds. They will create their own sounds and beats which they will perform to their peers. In Maths, we will continue to develop our counting skills and we will challenge ourselves by counting on from different numbers. We will also develop our mark making skills in Maths by representing numbers.

Thank you for supporting us by completing the home learning, it has been a great contribution to the learning journeys. There were some fantastic 'Woodland Wonder' themed home learning last term. Please keep this coming in, it would be great to have a whole class collection. Home learning will continue to go home each week on a Friday and then returned on the following Friday. In addition, story books will continue to be changed twice a week. Prizes are awarded for children who share their books with their family and friends on a regular basis. Please remember you can now send your Home WOW moments to the Nursery and Reception email address: [earlyyears@ecs.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto:earlyyears@ecs.plymouth.sch.uk) or you can write WOW moments onto the sheet attached.



We hope that you have a brilliant Christmas celebrating with friends and family and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year. Merry Christmas!

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Hill and Miss Auguste

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