



**This term our topic is called 'Do cows drink milk?' This topic will be all about farm animals.**

We will be learning about animals that live on the farm! We will be using lots of books to aid our learning fiction and non-fiction. We will also use the iPads and laptops to help discover our information. We will read the story books 'Noisy Farm' 'Farmer Duck' 'What the ladybird heard' and 'Mrs Wishy-Washy's Farm'. If children have any farm related books/photos etc to share with the class please bring them in.

In Phonics and Literacy we will be continuing to learn lots of new sounds. Please continue to encourage your child to read their reading book as many times as possible and ask questions about what they have read. Please can an adult fill in the Reading Record book every time the child reads their book, thank you. Continue to use the phonics pack at home to aid your child's reading. Please visit

<http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/tag/parents/> and watch some of the videos for ideas of what to do at home.

In Mathematics we will be covering the Early Learning Goal Objectives: To count reliably with numbers from one to 20, place them in order and say which number is one more or one less than a given number. Use quantities and objects to add and subtract two single-digit numbers and count on or back to find the answer. Solve problems, including doubling, halving and sharing.

Every Thursday morning we have Mrs Sweeney teach us Religious Education, this term we will be focusing on the topic 'Special places'.

**TOPIC HOMEWORK - This term our topic is Farm animals. For your project this term research a farm animal, you might find out information, make a poster, draw a picture, write a sentence about it or make a 3D model. The choice is yours! Please bring in your finished projects before Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May. Homework projects are shown to the whole school in Friday assemblies. They will also be placed on display in our classroom!**

**Junk modelling – Children enjoy making things in the classroom using old boxes and tubes, if you ever have an recycling please bring in for our junk modelling box. (kitchen roll tubes are fine but not toilet roll tubes, thank you)**

### Don't Forget...

- Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday, please ensure kits are in school on these days – both indoor and outdoor kit need to be in school. PE kit should include – **t-shirt, shorts, plimsolls, socks, joggers, jacket/jumper and trainers.** (Please note that if your child wears tights to school they need socks to change into for PE lessons.)
- You can come in your own clothes on your Birthday! If your Birthday falls at a weekend or in the holidays choose the day closest to your birthday.
- Please label **all** uniform and PE kit – including shoes and coats.
- Children can bring a named water bottle in each day to access throughout the day – **please only send water in these.**

### News

Children receive team points for good manners and behaviour. Children all have a House Team, Red = All Saints Upton, Blue = St Helen's Lea, Green = St Helen's Gate Burton, Yellow = St Mary's Knaith. The weekly totals are shown our School website. [www.olive-anderson.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.olive-anderson.lincs.sch.uk)

Attached to this letter are 4 more WOW cards please keep these safe. These cards are for you to fill in special moments you have observed your child achieve out of school. This could be learning to play a sport, achieving an award, writing independently or learning something new in Maths! Fill in the form and it will be placed on our Superhero WOW Wall in the classroom, please feel free to send in a photograph or the evidence of writing etc to accompany the WOW moment on the wall! When you run out, let us know and more can be sent home.

### Reminders

Remember to bring a raincoat every day, we go outside whatever the weather!! As it gets warmer children can bring in a named sun hat and sun cream, however children need to be able to apply this themselves.

Remember to bring your celebration book in on a Friday to share any news with the class.

Follow us on Twitter! – Our class has a Twitter page which is updated regularly with photos and information about what we have been learning. Our Twitter name is @YearRLea

This term the theme of Collective Worship is 'forgiveness' children who are seen to be showing this value will be nominated to receive the Tully Cup on a Friday.

Please do not hesitate to come and ask if you have any other queries or questions.

Many thanks

Miss Ward and the Reception Team

