

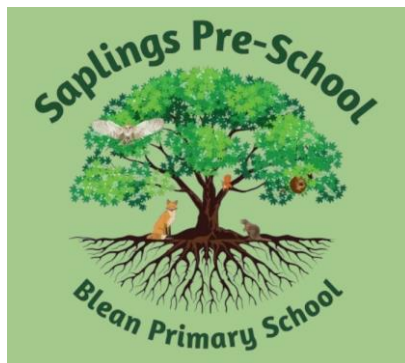
## Saplings Term 5 Curriculum Overview

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Please have a look at the Pre-School's curriculum for the coming term.

Our focus will be:

**“I wonder what lives on a farm?”**

## Blean Primary School



### Key Vocabulary

**Topic Vocab:** goat, kid, cow, calf, sheep, lamb, pig, piglet, hen, chick, horse, fowl, duck, duckling, life-cycle, egg, hatch, farmyard, farmer

**Jigsaw (PSHE) Vocab:** family, jobs, relationship, friend, lonely, argue, fall-out, words, feelings, angry, upset, calm me, breathing

**Maths Vocab:** repeat, patterns, same, compare, match, puzzle, circle/square/triangle

**This term we will be exploring the enquiry question: 'I wonder what lives on a farm'. We will continue to explore the environment while accessing our 'Root Learning' opportunities both inside and outside.**

**Here are some of the learning activities we will be doing in different areas of the Early Year's curriculum:**

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning our part of the whole school PSHE JIGSAW curriculum. Our theme this term will be 'Relationships'. This will incorporate looking at the themes of 'my family', 'making friends', 'falling out and bullying' and finally, 'friends we can be'.

### Communication and Language

We will continue to work on our confidence to speak in small and larger groups, sharing ideas and thoughts about our topic. Listening will continue to be a focus this term and we will participate in lots of listening games in phonics and we will have opportunities to listen to others speak too. We are all going to be working on our 'Little Link' programme which supports our learning of new vocabulary while improving our speaking and listening skills too.

### Physical Development

We will be accessing both fine motor and gross motor activities. These will include cutting skills, threading, puzzles and using pens and pencils to practise making letter patterns and writing letters from our names. We will also use balancing equipment and large balls outside.

### Literacy

We will continue having daily phase 1 phonics lessons, which will include learning to listen and distinguish different environmental sounds and learning how to clap syllables. We will also be doing 'Squiggle Whilst you Wiggle' sessions which will help us to develop our gross and fine motor movements to write pre-writing patterns.

### Mathematics

In Maths we will be learning how to make patterns, start to puzzle and also how to complete simple maths games and actions.

### Expressive Arts and Design:

We will be exploring different media through painting, collage, playdough and drawing. We will be learning songs about farm animals and also creating a large-scale tractor using boxes. We will also be accessing role play and small world about farms.

### Understanding the World:

We will be learning about farm animals and their babies. We will also learn about where food comes from and look at the life cycle of a chick. Finally, we will be participating in weekly Forest School sessions. Look out for a message soon as you will be invited to one session to see what your child does there.

Please feel free to ask any of the Pre-School staff any questions about what your child has been doing. Look out for pictures on Tapestry too.

If you feel you can help with the topic in any way, we would love for you to get involved.

Thank you.