

# Ederney Community Nursery

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### March Newsletter 2021

## Welcome Back!

Our Nursery children have settled in wonderfully and we have had a lovely first week back. We have provided them with lots of opportunity to reconnect with their friends and re-establish friendship and routines. They have just loved coming back together as a class, seeing their friends and taking part in the learning activities.

School will close for Easter Holidays on Friday 26th March and will re open on Monday 12th April - this is also different that previously scheduled so please take note.

#### The Curriculum

This month we will be concentrating on 'Spring and Growing'. Green and yellow are the main colours which we will be exploring with the children. We will also be identifying square shapes. We will be learning about how to care for babies, and what babies need to help them grow up into strong and healthy children. We will be doing this primarily through relevant stories and role-play activities in the house corner. This topic will then naturally lead into animals and their young. The children will learn about baby animals, their correct names, their homes etc. This will be explored through topic related songs and rhymes, stories, art activities and our role play area, which will be transformed into a vet's surgery. We will also be planting our own seeds in the classroom and identifying what a plant needs to help it grow. Following that, we will be exploring our outdoor area and looking for signs of Spring.

## 'Circle Time'

Throughout March, we will be using circle time to talk about Spring and babies. We will be talking about our favourite animals/ pets also. This will then lead into discussions about caring for animals. Through this, we aim to develop the children's sense of responsibility and their awareness of the world around them/ their environment. We will also discuss how the children can help to look after babies/ toddlers. This will encourage the children to be aware of the needs of others.

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# Songs and rhymes for March

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### Five Fat Peas

Five fat peas in a pea pod pressed
One grew, two grew, so did all the rest.
They grew and grew
And did not stop,
Until one day
The pod went POP!

## Counting Apples

Five red apples hanging on a tree,
The juiciest apples you ever did see!
The wind came blowing through the town
And one little apple came tumbling down.
Four red apples, etc.

#### Farm Sounds

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The pig in the pen goes oink, oink, oink,............
The hens in the coop go cluck.........
The lambs on the hill go baa,......

The ducks on the pond go quack.....

### 5 Little Pigs

5 little pigs rolled in the mud Squishy, squashy, squashy, squashy, felt so good.
The farmer took one piggy out.
"Oink, Oink, oink," the pig did shout!
Continue with 4, 3. 2. 1, then...

## One Potato, Two Potato

One potato, two potatoes
Three potatoes, four potatoes,
Five potatoes, six potatoes,
Seven potatoes more.

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## To the Farm (sung to Twinkle)

Chickens, kittens, piglets too Donkey's, horses, cows that moo Fish that swim down in the pond Ducklings quacking all day long. All these things you can see if

### Oats and beans and barley

Oats and beans and barley grow,
Oats and beans and barley grow,
do you or I or anyone know how
Oats and beans and barley grow.

First the farmer sows his seed, then he stands and takes his ease, stamps his feet and claps his hands and turns around to view the land. Driving in his tractor, driving in his tractor, muddy wheels go round and round as the tractor ploughs the ground.

