



# PRENTON PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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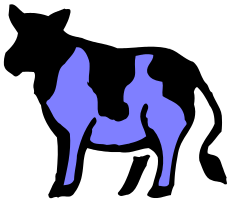


## PRE-SCHOOL SUMMER NEWS

Once again another half-term has flown by, during which I have been extremely pleased at how the children have continued to develop and grow in confidence.

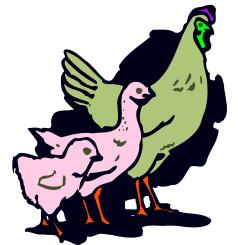
### **GROWING**

Our topic this half-term has been growing. The children have enjoyed taking care of the sunflower seeds and beans they planted and watching how well they have grown. They learned that seeds and beans need sunlight, warmth and water to grow. We read the story of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar", and the children used their sequencing skills to put pictures from the story in order, helping them to understand how a caterpillar develops into a butterfly.



### **OUR TRIP TO TAM O'SHANTER**

Pre-School spent a lovely morning at Tam O'Shanter's Farm where they were introduced to the new animal arrivals. The ducklings still had their downy feathers, but the chickens had already grown so much. The piglets had not yet been born, but we were able to see the baby lambs. We also visited our old friends Jacko the donkey and Arnie the Shetland pony.



### **A VISIT TO THE LIBRARY**

Once again the children in Pre-School very much enjoyed their visit to Woodchurch Library. We are always made to feel welcome, and the children are now familiar with the staff and the routine. We listened to stories and sang songs, some of which we knew and some that we are still learning. It is always an enjoyable trip to the Library.

### **NEXT HALF-TERM**



Our theme for the next half-term will be Pirates and Princesses. We are looking forward to our Pirates and Princesses Party on Thursday, 9th July.

We have another visit to Woodchurch Library to look forward to on Wednesday, 1st July.



### **SOUND TABLE**

The sound table will continue next half-term, when our sounds will be:-

Monday 1st June	b
Monday 8th June	j
Monday 15th June	z
Monday 22nd June	w
Monday 29th June	v
Monday 6th July	y

## KINDERGARTEN SUMMER NEWS

This has certainly been a busy half-term and the weeks have flown by.

### TRADITIONAL STORIES, TOYS AND GAMES



We have been reading traditional stories and learning about toys and games from the past. All of the children enjoy "Once Upon a Time" stories and join in with, "and they all lived happily ever after", at the end of each one!

The children have play-acted stories and used finger puppets too. Telling a story in sequence and drawing on story language is a key skill that will help the children to write their own stories in the future.

We will be sending a questionnaire to parents and grandparents to learn more about the types of toys that they had and the games that they played, as we compare toys and games then and now.

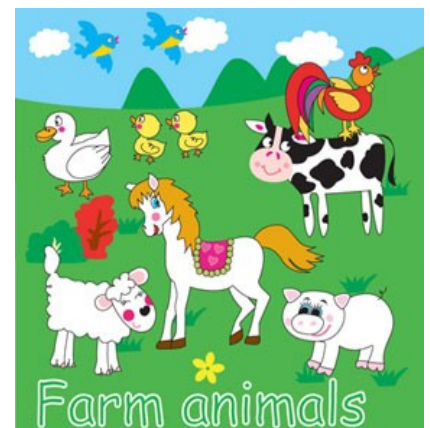
### FARM ANIMALS

Shortly after half-term we will be learning about farm animals and their young. We will consider where each animal lives, what it eats and what its young is called.

As part of this theme we will be visiting Farmer Ted's Farm Park in Formby on Wednesday, 24th June. We will visit the animals, watch a milking session and enjoy a tractor ride around the farm too. This will be a joint trip with Pre-School and we are really looking forward to it.

### SUMMER CONCERT

Our Summer Concert, this year, is linked to our topic on Farm Animals and is entitled "Old McDonald Had a Farm". At present, we are all working hard learning rhymes and practising songs in class and with Mrs. Lea in preparation for the event. We hope that you will be able to come along on Thursday, 25th July and that you will enjoy our performance.



### K.G. AND INFANTS SPORTS DAY

We are hoping for some sunny, dry weather after the half-term holiday so that we can hold our Sports Day on the afternoon of Tuesday, 2nd June.

We are anticipating lots of fun watching our mummies and daddies running in their races as well as looking forward to taking part in the flat race and fire fighters race ourselves. Please come and join us if you can.

## Happy Birthday



"Happy birthday to you,  
Happy birthday to you,  
Happy birthday dear children,  
Happy birthday to you".

Hip, Hip, Hooray



The following children have had or will have lots of fun celebrating their birthdays over this term :

### **Pre-School**

Francesca Cuevas-Anderson, Nathan Travis, Luis Roberts. Emma Pemberton and Hope Coombes.

### **Kindergarten**

Alexander Hall, Millie Gidman, Madison Townson, Amelia Booth, Abigail Ineichen, Adam Heffey, Zack Maher and Keyan Norouzi.

There are lots of exciting events taking place over the next half-term so please make a note for your diaries.

Tuesday	02 06 09	1.45 pm K.G. and Infant Sports Day - all families welcome
Wednesday	10 06 09	MUFTI Day (children may wear their own clothes)
Saturday	13 06 09	2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. Summer Fair at the School
Wednesday	24 06 09	P.S. and K.G. visit Farmer Ted's in Formby
Saturday	27 06 09	4.00 p.m - 6.00 pm Summer BBQ
Tuesday	30 06 09	9.15 a.m. Foundation Stage Summer Concert for P.S. Parents
Wednesday	01 07 09	10.45 am Pre-School visit Woodchurch Library
Thursday	02 07 09	9.15 a.m. Foundation Stage. Summer Concert for K.G. Parents
Friday	03 07 09	7.30 p.m. Junior Concert at Gladstone Theatre
Wednesday	08 07 09	Moving Up Day - children spend some time in their new class
Thursday	09 07 09	Lunch Time - P.S. and K.G. Pirates and Princesses Party
Friday	10 07 09	Children finish for the Summer Holiday returning on 07/09/09

**We wish you a very happy and relaxing half-term holiday and  
look forward to seeing the children again on  
Monday, 1st June 2009.**

