

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- Talking about how the characters behave in the stories and why.
- Discussing characters' perspectives and feelings, fostering empathy, and understanding.
- Understanding how others may feel in different situations.
- Promoting friendship skills by encouraging children to play together and resolve conflicts peacefully.
- Exploring the theme of teamwork through stories and collaborative tasks such as making the farm role play area.

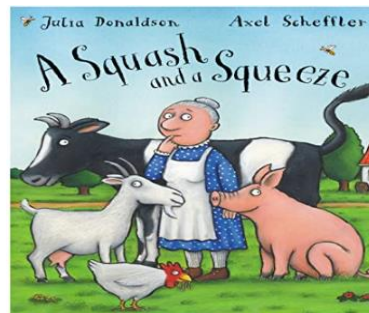
Communication & Language

- Farm role-play with costumes and masks.
- Retelling stories and rhymes using the masks and costumes.
- **What about talking to each other?**
- Talking about important things in their lives in small groups to start developing the use of longer sentences.
- Developing an understanding of why and how questions.
- Using intonation, rhythm and phrasing to make the

Physical Development

- Developing our GROSS MOTOR SKILLS by practising throwing and aiming skills in outdoor throwing games, promoting coordination and spatial awareness – **WHAT ELSE AS THIS IS A PRIME AREA?**
- Developing our FINE MOTOR SKILLS strengthening finger muscles through activities **SUCH AS ????**

Down on the farm



Maths

- Counting in order and beyond 1-5 in various contexts, like cleanup or outdoor activities.
- Sorting and counting objects into groups based on colours and sizes.
- Using different containers to explore volume and weight, fostering understanding of mathematical concepts.
- Creating and extending simple patterns using everyday objects or materials.
- Promoting simple mathematical language.

Understanding the World

- Encouraging discussions about past experiences.
- Growing herbs and vegetables to learn about plant growth and care so fostering appreciation for nature.
- **Exploring the concept of the life cycle of ????**
- Creating simple picture maps of character journeys
- Role-play areas – home area and farm.
- Learning about animals in traditional stories and through hands-on exploration on our day trip to the farm

Literacy

- Active participation during story time, including repeating phrases, predicting story outcomes, and discussing favourite parts.
- Turn-taking during book sharing sessions, reading aloud, and asking questions about the story.
- Drawing, painting, and creating simple written texts like posters, birthday cards, and informative books.
- Activities like labelling personal belongings or playing games with name cards to recognize their names.
- Developing phonics skills by blending and segmenting with simple words, playing sound games, and singing rhymes. Here is a link to practice at home with your children:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-songs-index/zhwdgwx>
- Core books: 'The Pig in the Pond', 'The Hungry Caterpillar', and 'A Squash and a Squeeze'.

Expressive Art & Design

- Using percussion instruments to enhance storytelling experiences.
- Using playdough, cornflour, and shaving foam for creative expression and sensory stimulation
- Acting out scenes from stories, encouraging imaginative play.
- Creating simple maps and journeys.
- Making farm animal masks using paper plates for role-playing and creative expression