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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the first term in Year 3! This Term our topic is all about being Down on the Farm! To introduce this we will be having a Dress up day on **Friday 13th September 2013** where children can come dressed as a farmer or an animal found on a farm! We will also be watching the film Babe which is classed as a U.

MAIN LEARNING THEME -

The themes are Design Technology, Geography and Science based and will include many practical activities for the children to participate in. We are going to complete many activities including designing and making milkshakes and trying many different varieties of bread! We will also look at how crops and fruit grow on a farm.

LEARNING SKILLS – Learning with Others

We will be focussing in on the following 4 skills:

- I can say what some of the class rules are and what I have to do to keep to them.
- I can use classroom equipment safely.
- I can join in with a group carrying out an activity.
- I can make suggestions when working in a group about how to achieve the goal.

NUMERACY

We will be working using the National Numeracy framework. All of the units will be building on the skills and learning the children developed in the Key Stage 1. These include methods for Addition and Subtraction, Data handling, Measure and Shape. This term we will be focusing on <u>A1 Counting</u>, partitioning and calculating and B1 Securing number facts, understanding shape.

LITERACY

This half term we will be learning about shape poetry and calligrams, where children will explore different techniques to create their own farm themed shape poem. We will also look at information texts where children will get the opportunity to research different farm animals and machinery, and produce a booklet full of facts and interesting diagrams.

PE

PE will be on <u>Tuesdays and Fridays</u>. PE will be covered in two one hour sessions each week. Please ensure your child has both indoor and outdoor kit in school with them all week. Children with long hair will need to have it tied back for safety reasons. Any earrings (studs only are allowed in school) will also have to be removed (by the child) or covered with a plaster (which must be supplied from home).









