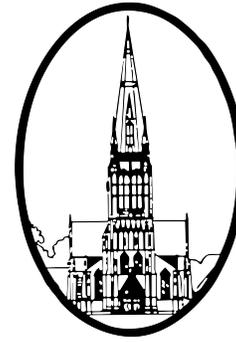


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*'Through God's love, we strive to be  
the best we can be.'*

20<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you had an enjoyable Easter holiday. I have heard many wonderful stories from the children about their time off and it's great to see them returning to school with smiles on their faces, ready for the new term ahead.

We are very excited about our new IPC topic, which is:

## ANIMALS!

Throughout the course of the term the children will learn all about different kinds of animals. They will play animal games, engage in animal role play, listen to animal stories, make animal homes and explore their own animal hospital in the classroom.

### Summer Term Learning Overview

Literacy	In Nursery , we will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction books related to the topic. In phonics the children will continue to learn Phase 2 sounds, they will learn to recognise initial sound in words, names and attempt to write them accurately. The children will use the knowledge learned in phonics to blend some simple CVC words such as dog, cat, and sit and so on.
Maths	In maths children will continue to count numbers up to 10 and beyond, recognise numerals in the environment and realise not only objects but anything can be counted including steps, claps or jumps. Also, the children will continue to talk about the shapes of everyday objects e.g 'round' and 'tall' and understand some talk about immediate future and past , e.g 'later', 'soon' or 'before'
RE	In RE our unit of focus is called; <i>Salvation; How did Jesus rescue people who were afraid?</i> In this unit we will be focusing on our emotions and relating them to various stories from the Bible.

### Key Date

During the summer term we plan on visiting a farm to further support our learning about animals. Nursery trip will be on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018** and we will leave the school just after 9:00. We will need several parent volunteers. Closer to the date we will post a signup sheet for volunteers to add their names to if you wish to come along to support us. If we don't have enough volunteers we will not be able to go.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come and talk to us after school or to arrange an appointment.

Yours Sincerely

The Early Years Team