



19th March 2025

Nursery Educational Visit to Hesketh Park Farm

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that Nursery will be partaking in a special, hands-on adventure to Hesketh Park Farm on the Bolton Abbey Estate. The educational visit will provide our children the opportunity to jump into the very important role of 'Little Farmers' and immerse themselves in the wonderfully messy magic of farm-life! Our time at Hesketh Farm will bring to life our theme of 'Investigations', where we plan to dive deep into new life and the growing of living things – a vital part of 'Understanding the World' in the EYFS curriculum. This opportunity will enable your little learner to thrive, absorbing new information and skills through real-life experiences, whilst all-importantly making magical memories.

All children will be visiting Hesketh Farm on **Wednesday 14**th **May**. We will leave school by coach at 9:30am and return by 3:00pm. The visit will **not** impact on our normal Nursery hours. Please ensure children arrive at Nursery at 8:45am and are collected from 3:20pm, as usual.

We will participate in an exciting, structured programme to allow us to squeeze the most out of farm-life. Our inspiring day as farmers will include: feeding calves, collecting eggs from the coop, animal visits, a tractor ride and a cuddly encounter with the guinea pigs to name just a few! There will also be some time for adventures in the low-level hay maze and free-play in the barn. On the day, we will be provided with an indoor classroom to eat lunch, store our belongings and take shelter in the event of bad weather. You can discover any further information you may need on the Hesketh Farm website www.heskethfarmpark.co.uk

As you know, we love messy play in Nursery and a day at the farm is certainly a fantastic opportunity to indulge in it! In true farmer style, please send your children equipped to comfortably throw themselves into the opportunities that come their way. Children are **not** required to wear school uniform on this day. We recommend trainers that are comfortable for walking or wellies in the event of wet weather and a rain coat to keep them dry. In the event of hot weather, please send your child with a named sunhat and apply sun-cream before they arrive at Nursery.

If you would like to order a school packed lunch for your child provided by the school catering team, please do so by Friday 25th April 2025 using the form attached to the Arbor message. If you wish for your child to have a home packed lunch, please select this option on Arbor and send them with their lunchbox on the day of the visit.

To facilitate the trip, we are kindly asking for a contribution of £20.00 per child, which has been subsidised by school to reduce the cost. This includes coach travel, insurance and Hesketh Farm costs. No individual will be excluded from this visit because of lack of contribution; however, without sufficient funds, the visit will not take place.

Please pay and consent via Arbor by Friday 25th April.

Please note that your child will not be allowed to take part in this trip unless we have received the consent. If your child is currently in receipt of pupil premium, costs for this visit will be covered within your entitlement.

Kind regards, Miss Keenan