Early years Dragonfly and Ladybird Class Story related activities.		
Story of the week:	Farmyard Hallabuloo	
Role play:	 Open a farm shop- Using pretend or real fruit and vegetables, empty milk cartons or plastic bottles and empty egg cartons. If you have a till and money you could use them too. Count how many items your customer has bought. 	
Phase 1 Phonics:	 Look around your home, garden or on you daily walks for objects that begin with the same letters: C is for Cow. Can you find objects beginning with C? F is for Farm. Can you find objects beginning with F? P is for Pig. Can you find objects beginning with P? H is for Horse. Can you find objects beginning with H? Watch the video- Animal and letter sounds with Chloe	
Number activities: • • • 1 2 3	 Animal sorting: Using farm and zoo animals, can you sort the right animals into their groups (Farm animals together and zoo animals together) Once you have sorted them into the correct groups, if you have weighing scales, weigh them to see which group is heavier. Is it the farm animals or the zoo animals? Can you group the animals together? Using happy land farm or whichever farm animals you have can you group the animals together and how many in each group? If you live near real farm animals, on your walk, you could count how many farm animals you can see from each group Groups are: 1) Cows, 2) Horses, 3) Chickens, 4) Sheep and 5) Pigs 	
Sensory play:	 Corn play: A BIT FOR THE ADULTS- Open and drain the tin of sweetcorn Empty the sweetcorn into a tray If you have some corn on the cob you could also pop this in a different tray and explore the different textures of the two. Are they soft, hard, wet, dry etc.? Explore different animal textures: Put some wool and feathers in a separate tray and explore the textures Do you know which animals they come from? 	

	 Small world farm: Using straw, mud, sand, water on your farm. Put the animals in the sensory trays and explore. Can you find which sensory material the animals would like to live on i.e. Pigs in mud
Creative activities:	Make a bird feeder: 1) Use a pine cone, 2) Spread some peanut butter on it 3) Next sprinkle some bird seed on the pine cone 4) Then wrap some string around the cone to secure so you can hang it up outside for the birds WHAT YOU NEED: STEP 1: STEP 2: STEP 3: STEP 4: Image: Step 1: Step 2: Step 3: Step 4: Image: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 3: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step 3: Step 4: Step 3: Step
	 Shape Scarecrow Craft: Using different coloured paper, draw different shapes: Circle- Head, Triangle- Hat, Big rectangles- Arms and legs, Small rectangles- Straw, Square- Body Cut the shapes out. Talk to your adult about where you think the shapes go, then stick the correct shapes in the correct place, to complete your scarecrow. Draw a face on your scarecrow. You could stick a small bamboo skewer to the back of your scarecrow and stand it up in an indoor plant pot.
Fine motor activities:	 Feed the farm animals: Draw some animal faces- sheep, cow, chicken, horse. Colour your animal faces, if you have drawn a sheep you could decorate it with cotton wool. If you have drawn a chicken you could decorate it with craft feathers. Cut the faces out then cut out a mouth shape. Next, using a paper/plastic cup, tape the animal face to the top of the cup so the mouth is at the opening of the cup. Once you have done this for your animals place them in a tray. Using rice crispies, dry rice etc - let your child scoop the food with a spoon or use tweezers to put the food into your animal's mouth. You can now feed your farm animals.

	Milk the cow:
	• <u>You will need</u> -
	 Latex gloves/ rubber gloves
	• Pin
	 Milk/water Black/brown felt pen
	• String
	 Cups/tray
	 Draw cow spots on your glove (Udders).
	• Fill the glove with milk/water and tie in a knot.
	 Using the string, tie around the knot at the top of the glove and then hang it from a surface.
	 When you are ready to play, place the cup/ tray underneath the glove.
	• Then get an adult to poke a tiny hole in the fingertips of the glove, then
	squeeze the udders.
	• Your now milking the cow.
	 Make sure you get the water/milk in the cups/ tray!
	Writing and cutting sheets saved separately
Physical activities:	Action song:Dingle Dangle scarecrow
<u>}</u> 	 Parachute games/ songs Find a cuddly animal and put it on top of your parachute, for example a pig, then sing (in the tune of 'What shall we do with a drunken sailor?')
A 1	'What shall we do with the little pig?
	What shall we do with the little pig?
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	Early in the morning
	Bounce and bounce and bounce and bounce him
	Bounce and bounce and bounce and bounce him
	Bounce and bounce and bounce and bounce him Early in the morning
	Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle the pig,
	Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle the pig
	Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle the pig

	Up and down and up and down,
	up and down and up and down
	up and down and up and down
	Early in the morning'
	Move like an animal:
	 Skip like a lamb
	Paddle like a duck
	 Gallop like a horse
	 Flap like a chicken
	Take turns to move like an animal and see if you can guess which animal the
	other person is pretending to be.
Story	Activities above in bold , have corresponding resources uploaded on the website
related	page. Plus other Farmyard Hallabuloo activities, not on this plan are also saved
activities:	under story related activities, such as-
	Creative activities-Create your own farm
	-Fruit and vegetable printing with Claire
	Number activities -Counting eggs and number cards
	-On the farm counting 1-5, 1-10 interactive game
	- Different matching games
	-Watch the video- 5 Little ducks sing and sign counting with
	Gemma
	Phonic activities –Matching rhyming cards
	-Watch the video- Animal and letter sounds with Chloe
	Sensory activities -Mr Tumble on the farm
	-Videos and Photos of our visit to the farm
	-Old Mac Donald sensory tray
	Songs -1,2,3 It's a farmers life for me
	-Driving my tractor
	-Farmyard Jamboree
	-I went to visit the farm one day
	Sing and sign -With Chloe and Emma
Additional	
activities	Phonics phase 1 -Instrumental sounds
this week:	-Rhythm sequencing
	Sensory activity -Bug rescue
(Tat)	-Rice and ice sensory tray
	Physical activities - Skittles - (also covers Creative activities)
	-Move by number - (also cover Number activities)
	Fine motor activity-Posting- colour, sorting and fine motor (also covers Number
	activities)