Withorpo	Nunthorpe Primary Academy Reception Newsletter Summer 1 Topic: Animals
w.b 02.05.17	This half term we will be learning about animals. As well as following the children's own interests on the topic we plan to focus on farm animals and will be exploring the story of the three little pigs. The children will learn to retell the story and will have the opportunity to build houses for the three little pigs and pay for the building materials using their coin handling skills.
w.b 08.05.17	This week the children will continue the theme of the three little pigs but will explore alternative versions of this classic children's book by reading 'The Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig' and 'The Three Horrid Little Pigs' The children will explore doubling and halving by counting pigs and wolves.
w.b 13.5.17	We will spend time looking at wolves and researching how they survive. We will explore the wolf's character from the three little pigs and will set up a police station in our outdoor area to capture baddies!
w.b 22.5.17	Here we plan to learn about different wolf stories and will read; The wolf and the seven little kids, The boy who cried wolf and the story of Little Red Riding Hood.

Over the next few weeks we will helping the children to refine all of the skills taught throughout the Reception year and will be supporting them to consolidate any areas requiring further attention before making final assessments regarding the good level of development. Please help your child by working on any areas of concern discussed at parents evening and also by completing homework activities, reading regularly with your child and practising red words.

In order to achieve the good level of development children need to:

- \* Read simple reading books confidently and independently.
- \* Hold a pencil comfortably and form lowercase letter's accurately
- \* Write simple sentences which can be understood by others
- \* Recognise numbers to 20 both in and out of sequence.
- \* Name and describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

During the summer term the Reception class will join the other boys and girls on the big playground after lunch and at playtime. We hope that this will help them to develop confidence around visiting the playground and also to give them some opportunities to run freely and play on the field. They will continue to be supported by Melanie their lunchtime supervisor both in the dining hall and on the playground.