

## Outcomes:

'Real-life' work experience

Science learning

Development of confidence

Development of communication skills

Learning new skills relating to animal care and maintenance



This half term Koalas class have been able to return to Snettisham Park – a local working farm and deer park – as part of our timetable on a Monday and Thursday. This is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to undertake supervised 'real-life' work experience and learn new skills. It also gives us a great practical opportunity to explore the science curriculum.

Pupils have been very enthusiastic when helping farm staff with jobs and caring for the animals. During this, they have learnt new facts and skills and have practiced things they remembered from when we were there in autumn term.

Some jobs they have undertaken are; cleaning out and bedding down animals (calves/ponies/dogs), collecting and weighing eggs ready to be sold in the shop, jet washing the sheep trailer, grooming ponies and feeding/ watering animals.

We have been extremely lucky to see lambs being born and have bottle fed them. We also managed to see the farm's new arrivals - Two miniature Shetland foals! This has linked brilliantly to Science learning about lifecycles.

## Quotes:

"Could I try to pick out the hooves?" – BS2 during pony grooming

"These lambs are so cute!" – HG when bottle feeding

"There are loads more large eggs than medium!" – JG when weighing eggs

