# **Post-Farm Visit Teachers' Notes**

## Activity 1 Build a Home for an Animal

Look back at the Pre-Farm Activity Sheets you completed prior to your visit to the farm and at the map of Old Macdonald's farm.

Discuss what kind of things the animals on a farm need in order to stay healthy, warm and happy.

In pairs, work together to build a home for an animal on the farm. Let the children experiment with a range of materials to build the house such as lego bricks, recycled boxes, cartons, various card and newspaper. They could decorate their homes and display them in a designated area.

Discuss and look at different kinds of habitats.

#### Activity 2 Drawing Task

On their Activity Sheets, ask the children to draw a picture of their favourite animal on the Farm.

Keep a tally of the classroom's favourite animal or let the children place their picture on a board. More able children can create their own tally sheets and fill in their graphs. (This could also be done with an ICT package on the computer.)

### Play 'Farmer in the Den'

An old classic that children love!

The farmer's in his den, The farmer's in his den, EE- I- AD-I-O, The farmer's in his den.

The farmer wants a wife, The farmer wants a wife, EE- I- AD-I-O, The farmer wants a wife.

The wife wants a child, The wife wants a child, EE- I- AD-I-O, The wife wants a child.

The child wants a nurse, The child wants a nurse, EE- I- AD-I-O, The child wants a nurse.

The nurse wants a dog, The nurse wants a dog, EE- I- AD-I-O, The nurse wants a dog.

The dog wants a bone, The dog wants a bone, EE- I- AD-I-O, The dog wants a bone.

We all pat the bone! We all pat the bone! EE- I- AD-I-O, We all pat the bone!

#### Activity 4 Grow Your Own Cress Head

#### You will need:

- Yogurt pots or similar
- Cotton wool
- Cress seeds

Grow your very own cress egg head using the pictures provided on the Activity Sheet. Stick the picture on to a yogurt pot (or something of a similar size). Fill it with cotton wool, plant some cress seeds, water and watch it grow!

Create a display using the pictures provided along with all the work the children have completed and photos taken on the day. It will help the children remember the wonderful day they had.

