

Starlings - Farm Animal Incursion

We had a fantastic farm animal incursion..I am always impressed with the way Sue presents her animals to the children, and leads them through the day with such a gentle and caring approach. Sue explains firstly how the animals need to be held and handled, gently explaining her expectations. She involves and includes all children throughout the day, and has a lovely way with those feeling a little overwhelmed so that they also find a comfortable way to connect with the animals.

Most of the children were eager to touch, hold and feed the animals. The goose seemed to pose the greatest concern, especially for one child who was in the wrong place at the wrong time and mother goose let her loud voice roar in his face...after some comfort, Sue made sure she explained that Mother Goose simply had a loud voice and was over-excited to see him, she did not mean to scare him!

During our day with the animals, I really loved watching the children encourage each other, comfort each other and talk about how to hold and pet the animals. This is really a wonderful bonding experience for the whole group and a great inclusion for the program in Term 1 especially as we are supporting new friendships and building social confidence in the group.

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