

I Spy Farming

Spring is a busy time for farmers, there is a lot to do whether they are livestock or arable farming. What you will see will depend on what type of farms are where you live – so you will not find all of these!

- Thin green spikes of new cereal plants coming through the ground (looks like grass but is in rows!)
- Taller, thicker spikes of the winter wheat, barley and oats sown last autumn
- Tramlines in the crops – the unsown tracks to allow any work to be done without damaging the crop
- A tractor at work, cultivating the land
- Machines planting a crop into bare soil
- Fertiliser being spread (this machine is usually carried by the tractor)
- A sprayer looking after the health of the crop
- A field of oil seed rape turning yellow as it flowers
- New-born calves now out grazing with their mothers
- A bird scarer
- A muck heap (you'll smell it too!) – organic manure that has come from the cattle shed and will be spread on the land to fertilise it
- New-born lambs with their mothers, the ewes
- A field planted with potatoes – it will have deep ridges running straight