COUNTRYSIDE EDUCATION Provided by Parmer Gow's Education Ltd

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School Day Trips and Mobile Farm for Early Years to KS2

On The Farm 2025

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Henleaze Farm, Fernham Road, Longcot, near Faringdon, Oxfordshire

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WELCOME TO OUR FARM.

Programmes

- 🖌 🖌 Farm Animals
- Farm Animals & Growing
 Food with Fish
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- Wind & Solar Energy
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The farm is open for pre-booked Day Trips from January to November

SCHOOLS ONLY: No public access Monday to Thursday during term time

INTRODUCTION



Farmer Gow's Countryside Education offers four Day Trip programmes, with STEM structured workshops, from Early Years to Key Stage 2

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Day Trips

Farm Animals - Early Years - KS1

Farm Animals & Growing Food with Fish - KS1 & KS2

Grow Your Food - KS2

Wind & Solar Energy - KS2



Medium & Large Farms - Early Years - KS2



Day Trip

Mobile Trip



Anne Gow or Dale Whitehorn 07714 455400

DAY TRIPS

EVERY TRIP INCLUDES

Planning Service: Programme of activities for your group/class

Health & Safety: We have an exemplary Health and Safety record. We will look after you on your day trip. H&S advice is available on our website

Dedicated Picnic Area: For the duration of the trip, with sufficient tables for all members of your group

Workshops: Led by experienced Farmer Gow's team. We encourage teachers and adult helpers to support the children's learning experiences

Playtime: Farmyard, adventure and imaginative play

Oxford Reading Tree Book

Fun on the Farm 🕑

Kipper and Anna 🕢

Complimentary copy for every group of 30

BASED ON OUR FARM



FARM ANIMALS



Farm Animals Video



EARLY YEARS TO KEY STAGE 1

FARM ANIMALS AND GROWING FOOD WITH FISH

'Hands on' Meet the Farm Animals led by experienced Farm Team - 45 minutes

Meet the Fowl & Farm Trail led/supported by Farm Team - 45 minutes

Growing Food with Fish led by Smart Greens UK - 45 minutes



Meet the Animals and Chicks: Handle pigs, feed sheep/lambs, goats/kids. Handle chicks, pullets & chickens



Meet the Fowl and Farm Trail: See the chickens, geese and turkeys. Collect freshly-laid eggs. On the farm trail - see our goats, sheep & cattle grazing in the fields. Enjoy hand feeding.



UPPER KEY STAGE 1/YEAR 2



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GROW YOUR FOOD



Grow Your Food Video

The Grow Your Food programme has been designed to educate and inspire pupils studying food, diet, plants, natural and food sciences, particularly focusing on workshops suitable for children at Key Stage 2.

Smart Greens UK adopts a practical cross-curriculum and STEM education approach using traditional growing and a commercial-scale Aquaponics system, as the basis for teaching and pupil engagement. Our teaching is of particular relevance to the core competences and the framework of skills and knowledge around food, diet and physical activity that include the School Food Plan and the Eatwell Guide.



KEY STAGE 2





In respect to UK fresh produce, we answer the questions:

- Where does our food come from?
- How does it grow?
- In an evolving world, is our approach to fresh food changing?

A school/group day trip includes the following workshops:

How does your garden grow?



Get to know your vegetables



Plants need feeding

Vegetable Hunt





WIND & SOLAR ENERGY



A programme to educate and inspire pupils studying green energy & electricity, including wind and solar generation, community clean energy, sustainable living and natural systems, particularly focusing on sessions suitable for children at Key Stage 2. Activities are fun, interactive and develop key maths and science investigation skills.

Energy is what makes everything happen in the universe! Our lives today utterly depend on abundant, freely available supplies, yet the way we have been generating it is causing huge problems - we need to get better, fast! 'Green' energy means energy that is generated in clean, sustainable ways – ones we can continue for the long term, without piling up problems.





KEY STAGE 2

WIND & SOLAR ENERGY



A school/group trip includes the following workshops:



Energy and electricity



Natural energy sources

Why and how do we use electricity?



Visit to Westmill Wind and Solar Farm

A trip will include hand-on explorations at Farmer Gow's and a visit to Westmill Wind and Solar Farm, to experience close-up how wind and sun supply sufficient power for whole communities.

KEY STAGE 2



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Maximum number of adults/children? We have facilities for up to 200 adults and children including whole school trips. Minimum group size 25 paying adults and children

Can schools/classes book different programmes? Yes – our programmes are designed so that children can achieve different learning experiences at different ages. Whole year and/or school trips are welcome – they are very cost effective for coach hire

Packed Lunches? You are welcome to bring packed lunches

Do we need to pay a deposit? No deposit is required

How much does it cost? Adult £7.25. Child 3+ years £7.25 each. Child 1-2 years £4.50 each

Is VAT payable? No - Farmer Gow's Education Ltd is not VAT registered **Supervision Required?** The supervision and behaviour of children visiting the farm on a Day Trip is the responsibility of the group organiser. Children require adult support during workshops. We recommend supervision rates as follows: Under 3s, 1 adult - 2 children. Under 5s, 1 adult - 4 children. Under 8s, 1 adult - 6 children. Over 8s, 1 adult - 8 children

Do we have a designated area for the school on the farm? We will provide you with a Group Area for the duration of your Day Trip with sufficient picnic tables for all members of your group. Non-valuables, including picnics, may be left in this area at owners' risk. You are responsible for leaving your group area tidy, including removing any refuse. The farm staff will clean the area after your departure

Invoice? We will email your invoice at the end of the trip. Our invoice will include direct payment details.

We look forward to welcoming you and your children to the farm.

education@farmergows.co.uk

BOOKING FORM

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Contact name School / Group name Address Postcode Telephone Landline number(s) incl Mobile STD Email addresses Contact School / Group (if different) Risk Assessment Risk assessment advice is available on our website. You are welcome to visit the farm before your Day Trip. Pre-visit A member of staff will show you around the farm, including explaining the flow of your programme. Date of pre-visit Date of Day Trip Arrival From 9.30am We would love you to stay until 1.30/2pm. The longer we Departure have you, the more learning opportunities for your children Arrival time Departure time Arriving by Car ~ Coach ~ Minibus

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Programme	Farm Animals	Early Years,	Reception & KS1	Y/N	
	Farm Animals & G	Farm Animals & Growing Food with Fish			
		upper KS1 / Year 2			
	Growing Your Food	d	suitable for KS2	Y/N	
	Wind & Solar Ener	Wind & Solar Energy & Electricity		Y/N	
Cost	Adults & Children	(3+ yrs)	£7.25 / person		
	Children	(1-2 yrs)	£4.50 / child		
	Babies	under 1 year	free		

Please provide approximate numbers/ages of adults and children.

We will invoice you for the *actual* number of adults and children who attend.

Class name	Classroom teacher name(s)	Adults	Child 3-16 yrs	Key Stage	Child 1-2 yrs
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Do you have any	special requirements?				
Such as religious disabilities etc	matters, allergies,				

Please email your Booking Form to ~ <u>Education@farmergows.co.uk</u> We will reply by email with a programme and risk assessment advice/information.







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MOBILE FARM



If you can't come to us, we can bring our friendly farm animals to you. Every visit is designed around your needs, specialising in the provision of 'hands-on' workshops.

Mobile Farm Video

Educational Visit: School, nursery or pre-school

Suitable for all ages: A bespoke programming service to compliment school learning objectives. Our herbivores and fowl workshop includes multiple learning activities. Small numbers of children partcipate in these workshops to maximise the experience for each child.

Event: Such as an Open Day, Fete, Show, Birthday Party or Family Celebration. A rotating programme of Meet the Animals activities provided throughout the day. Visitors can attend or drop in whenever they wish.



MEDIUM

MOBILE FARM



Farm Birds & Animals

Chicks and Chickens Turkey and Goose Goats and/or Goats Kids Sheep and/or Lambs





Hands On: 20-40 minutes 'hands-on' experiences for each child – we adjust the length of sessions according to the age of the children and learning objectives

Experiences – Fowl:

Handling – Chicks, Pullet, Chickens, Goose, Turkey Handling different eggs – Chicken, Turkey, Goose Boxing Free Range Eggs – Chicken

Herbivores:

Hand feeding – Goat and Sheep Bottle feeding – up to 40 bottles available. Goat Kids and/or Lambs Cuddling Lambs (seasonal)

Staffing & Supervision: 2 members of Farmer Gow's team lead the workshop.

Children visiting the Mobile Farm will need the support of staff and parents/carers. Suitable for up to 80 children.

Cost from £450 – price will increase with travel time from farm and length of visit

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LARGE MOBILE

FARM



Farm Birds & Animals

Chicks, Pullets and Chickens Turkey and Geese Goats and/or Goat kids Sheep and/or Lambs





Hands On: 30-60 minutes 'hands on' experiences for each child – we adjust the length of sessions according to the age of the children and learning objectives

Experiences – Fowl:

Handling – Chicks, Pullet, Chickens, Goose, Turkey Handling different eggs – Chicken, Turkey, Goose Boxing Free Range Eggs – chicken

Herbivores:

Hand feeding – Goat and Sheep Bottle feeding – up to 70 bottles available - Goat Kids and/or Lambs Cuddling Lambs (seasonal)

Staffing & Supervision: 2 members of Farmer Gow's team lead both workshops.

Children visiting the Mobile Farm will need the support of staff and parents/carers. Suitable for up to 120 children.

 ${\rm Cost}$ from £525 – price will increase with travel time from farm and length of visit

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WORKING AREA ACCESS



Medium Visit

We will arrive in the farm's VW caddy van. Please provide an outdoor working area, accessible by the van, approximately 6m x 6m. Indoor venue – please discuss with Anne Gow. Access to the van is very important. The van is a secure store for some of the equipment used during a visit.

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Large Visit: We will arrive in the farm's truck with a 12' long livestock trailer. Please provide an outdoor working area, accessible by the truck/trailer, approximately 10m x 6m. The truck is a secure store for some of the equipment used during a visit. Access for the truck & trailer is therefore very important.

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Medium & Large Visits You are responsible for disinfecting indoor/hard standing areas prior to our arrival and after the visit. We recommend plastic sheeting or equivalent for indoor working areas. Disinfection not required on grassed areas.





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How far do we go? The maximum distance we can travel is 1-hour drive time from the farm. We use Google Maps to check the distance from the farm to your location. Any further is too stressful for our young farm animals.



How long can we visit? 30-minutes to 6 hours. Anne will chat through a programme with you to ensure your children and adults get great farm animal contact. We must return to the farm by 5pm. Any later is too long a day for our young animals

How much will it cost? There is a lot of work to prepare for Mobile Farm a visit. We have to travel to and from your site. On return to the farm all our equipment must be cleaned and disinfected and our animals rested. Once we have your Booking Form and you have chatted with Anne, we will provide a quotation by email. Our minimum cost guidelines for Medium and Large Visits are pretty accurate if you are local. They will increase with travel time and time spent on your premises. Schools will be invoiced at the end of the trip. The invoice will include direct payment details. Private functions will be invoiced prior to the event with payment in full, five days before the mobile farm visit. Farmer Gow's Education Ltd is not VAT registered.





How to book

HOW TO BOOK A MOBILE FARM Complete our no obligation booking form and send it to us at education@farmergows.co.uk. We will then contact you by telephone to chat through your booking, discuss a suitable programme and check access for our farm truck/trailer.

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We will follow up the call by email with a programme and a quotation for the visit

The Mobile Farm is confirmed once you reply to our email Please note – the maximum distance we can travel is 1 hour from the farm. Any further is too stressful for our animals

Regulations

We are licensed to provide a Mobile Farm service with:

- Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA)
- Trading Standards
- Environmental Health, Vale of White Horse District Council (VWHDC)

We operate under 3 different Government departments who each have slightly different rules for different reasons - mostly ensuring health and wellbeing of both livestock and you. The rules are complex and different for each farm animal species. The combined effect of these different rules is that we can only undertake one Mobile Farm visit per week. We recommend booking early, to avoid disappointment.



BOOKING FORM

Contact name			
School / Group / Event			
Address			
Postcode			
Telephone number			
Mobile number			
Email			
Date of Visit			
Preferred start time			
Educational or Event	Educational * Event		
Approx. no. of children?			
How long/many hours would you like us to visit?			
Medium or Large visit?	Medium * Large		
Are there any special conditions we need to know about? Religious matters, allergies, disabilities etc			

Please email your Booking Form to ~ <u>Education@farmergows.co.uk</u>. We will reply by email with a programme, quotation and risk assessment.







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