

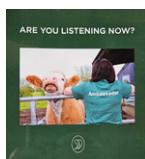


FUTURE ROOTS

NEWSLETTER - NEW YEAR 2025

Welcome to our latest newsletter! It has been a bustling few months here on the farm, from honouring the students who departed in July to embracing our new arrivals in September. to preparing our Christmas decorations to light up the farm with a magical sparkle and now we welcome a new year, we would like to wish you all a happy and healthy 2025.....

Ambassadors Book Launch



On Thursday 31st October we all came together to launch our first book 'Are You Listening Now?' The book which was very kindly sponsored by the Community Lottery Fund enabled 8 of our brave young people to talk about the most challenging times within their lives and to share the power of being listened to. Each young person in the book has attended Future Roots for a number of years and they hoped that by sharing their experiences they maybe able to help other young people in similar circumstances. The book launch was a great success with two MP's - Simon Hoare & Edward Morello as well as other important dignitaries attending, Our guest speakers, Author Chris Wild and Forensic Psychologist Yvonne Shell both spoke passionately about the importance of listening to the voice of the young people. Books can be purchased at a cost of £6.99 if collected, or £10 if posted, please contact the office on: 01963 210703

WELCOME

A huge welcome from all of the team to Jeremy our new Livestock Site Coordinator, Jeremy started in September, he has been farming for many years and we very much look forward to sharing his wealth of knowledge.



TO A LOCAL ENGINEERING FIRM:

For allowing a group of their staff to spend a day painting our classrooms ready for the new term. Thank you all so much you did a great job and your hard work was very much appreciated.

HOLBECHE CORFIELD CHARITABLE SETTLEMENT:

Thank you for your support.

SHERBORNE ROTARY CLUB:

Thank you for your kind donation

SARAH SPRAKE:

Thank you for supporting Future Roots through the Wick Festival

CERNE PARISH:

Thank you for raising funds at the Lammas Festival

TIZZARDS FARM:

Thank you for sponsoring our awards day

CHARMINSTER POST OFFICE & STORES:

Thank you for raising funds from the proceeds of your Christmas Raffle

We are really grateful for every donation we receive, if you would like to make a donation to help our work with young people

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SHORT BREAKS FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

Our short breaks holiday clubs are open to young people aged 8-18 who are resident in the Dorset Council area, have an Education Health Plan (EHCP) or have a diagnosed condition that impacts upon their well being. Young people work together in a group and are not supported on a 1:1 basis.

Unfortunately at this time we cannot offer spaces for young people who need personal care

Monday 17th February, 10am - 2pm
Tuesday 18th February, 9.30am - 1.30pm
Wednesday 19th February, 10am - 2pm
Thursday 20th February, 10am - 3pm (Farmer Thursday)
Friday 21st February, 10am - 2pm

To book your place please email: suzanne@futereroots.net or telephone: 01963 210703

All new young people require a farm visit before being able to book onto the holiday club sessions.

EDUCATIONAL FARM VISIT

If you are a small group of people (minimum of 4 and max of 8) and would be interested in an educational tour, please contact our office on: 01963 210703 or email: office@futereroots.net. (we are sorry, but this is not open to youth or toddler groups at present). We very much look forward to hearing from you.



Our awards evening was held on Thursday 4th July, thankfully the weather was kind to us this year, which considering the summer we have had was amazing. It was a lovely evening celebrating the success of our young people. We would like to say a huge thank you to the Lord Lieutenant Angus Campbell, Lydia from John Lewis and Will Tizzard for helping to present our young people with their certificates.



We are really sorry to say goodbye and farewell to Tim. Tim joined us in 2020, thank you for all of your hard work, we will miss you and so will the young people you have been a great role model too whilst here at the farm, We all wish you a happy retirement, keep in touch.



We are also sad to say that Chris our Farm Manager is leaving us to concentrate on his new venture. We want to say a huge thank you for all of your hard work and we appreciate everything you have done, the staff and all of the young people wish you the best of luck.



A new year brings new additions to the farm. We have two new piglets called Ebony and Ivory and three calves, Katie Royal, Prince Charming and Midnight Shadow, we will share updates with you throughout the year.

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