

Seal Community Farm News October 2020

An overall update for you on the farm, its residents and the progress that's been made.



We have been overwhelmed by your generosity, whether it be

Volunteering with us to construct the farm

Becoming an animal care volunteer (over 55 people!)

Donating to the Gofundme page which has reached its target of £3000

or purchasing from our Amazon wishlist, where we have been really fortunate to have all the food and bedding plus equipment been donated!

A massive thank you!

We cannot wait to welcome you in when we open to the public in Spring 2021 over some weekends and during the holidays.

Im very aware that as parents cannot come on site currently you cannot appreciate the farm, so here's some before and afters of the school farm site -which has been transformed.





All the animals for this year are in now.
I'm very proud to introduce you to our community farm family.



Del boy and Rodney (1 year old male KuneKune pigs)



Ant and Dec , male Pygmy goats, 5 and 7 months old



10 female Ducks; 4 Aylesburys, 3 khakis, 2 crested runners 1 black Swedish 18 weeks-1 year old.

Patricia, Margo, Jerry, Tomasina, quacker, shadow, Barbara, Jemima, Beatrice, Duffy.



Bee hives.

Cornflower, poppy, daisy and lavender



**10 female Quail 7 months old
(Currently all named Old MacDonald !)**



Jimmy and Laya, rescued 1 year old Guinea pigs



Daisy and Sidney
5-7 year old rescued rabbits



9 Female chickens.

3 rescued ex barn hens, 2 heritage skyline, 2 fenning Sussex, 2 mendelsham blue. Martha, Rosa, Heihei, oola, primrose, father Christmas, KFC, cheep cheep junior, nando.

We have a new farm logo, thanks to our Volunteer graphic designers, we love it!
 We have achieved so much with many hands.
 The farm really has a community feel to it.



There is still work to be done



Before Christmas we will develop the rabbit and guinea pig homes and outdoor area.



We are in the process of sourcing materials to build a raised bed for each year group to grow vegetables for the animals and allow gardening club to be improved



I will be working with all teaching staff to develop a bespoke, curricular based, enriching educational package for all children.



I am still seeking funding to create educational signage and a handwashing station.

You can keep up to date with the farm here:

Facebook – The good life comes to seal

Instagram-seal_community_farm

Twitter-@Seal_farm

If you would like to volunteer in animals care on the farm, from November onwards, please email Mrs Mitchell:

headteacher@seal.kent.sch.uk

If you are a local business and would like to sponsor the farm, or have any farm general questions, please email

sspellman@seal.kent.sch.uk

If you have any fruit, veg, bread or cereal animal food to deliver please send them in with your child.

We cannot legally take anything that has been through a kitchen or cooked due to possible contamination.

We will be selling the produce, the quail are the only ones that are laying well at the moment. I will be selling them at the gates, a parentpay message will be sent prior, but please bear in mind that demand will always out way stock.

Come spring, I hope to sell quail, duck and chicken eggs on the playground along with honey later in the year.

We will be launching an animal sponsorship package ranging from £5-50 per animal as well as some farm merchandise to help us keep these animals. They will make great Christmas presents and all proceeds will be spent on the animals, their care and enrichment.

From Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Butler, Miss Spellman, everyone involved and all the animals,
Stay safe and hope to see you all soon!

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