Farmers for a Week

Duke of Edinburgh - Gold Award Residential

26-30 July or 2-6 August 2027

Nethercott House, Iddesleigh, Devon, EX19 8SN

Farms for City Children is a vibrant charity that welcomes children and young people from England and Wales to experience the adventure of working together on our farms in the heart of the British countryside.





Our fully accredited DofE Gold Award Residential Programme runs during weeks when we do not have a group in residence. For 2027 we have two available weeks in the Summer. Farming continues throughout the year - so we always have:

- animals to feed
- stables to be mucked out
- harvesting/planting to be done in our large productive gardens
- produce to be prepared
- maintenance tasks around the farm.

We use these weeks to do some of the bigger jobs that we can't always manage when we have primary-aged children on site. Last Summer our DofE groups helped to show our livestock at Chulmleigh Old Fair in July and hosted the charity's supporters at the annual Open Garden event in August.

The Residential Fee is an All-inclusive charge of £399 per person

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We can offer you:

- **active engagement with nature & the countryside**
- **cultivation of transferable work & life skills**
- **collaboration with new people**
- **plenty of physical activity and time for reflection**
- **farm produce to be prepared**
- **communal cooking and shared meals**



All of the this whilst helping us to feed and care for our poultry, pigs, sheep, cows, donkeys and ponies keeping the site in good order ready for the return of our beneficiaries.

The Gold Award Residential will be an exclusive occupancy, so you will have the whole place to yourselves to enjoy! All activities on the farm will be fully supervised by our knowledgeable and experienced staff. We also provide all training, tools, equipment, and PPE needed.
Two members of our team stay onsite overnight in case of an out-of-hours emergency, and during the day there will be a team of our staff around to guide and support.

Nethercott House is centred on a large Victorian manor house that will become your home for the week. We have a mix of accommodation, but typically this would be a small dormitory with its own bathroom. Enjoy a week with less screen time – no TV on site and no phones when out on the farm. A multi-faith prayer space is available. The residential is full board - we provide all meals, although the group will be involved in food preparation, cooking and other kitchen duties such as cleaning down and washing up!

Please note transport is not provided, however we can arrange pick up and drop off from our local train station at Eggesford if requested.

For an application form, please contact our bookings team on **bookings@farmsforcitychildren.org** or phone **01392 276381**