

Duke of Edinburgh - Gold Award Residential

Farmers for a Week

15 - 19 February 2027

Nethercott House, Iddesleigh, Devon, EX19 8SN

Farms for City Children is a vibrant charity that welcomes children and young people 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. In 2027 this will be during the February half term and summer holidays. Farming never stops though - our sites continue to work during these periods and there are always:

- animals to feed
- stables to be mucked out
- harvesting to be done in our large productive gardens
- produce to be processed
- 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 the groups welcomed guests to the annual Open Garden event raising funds for the charity.



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

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This February, activities include:

- **preparing the lambing barn and feeding up the ewes due at the start of March**
- **hot chocolate and stargazing (weather permitting!)**
- **working in our greenhouse to prick out early seedlings**
- **fresh food preparation and sharing meals together**
- **preparing the garden.**



A practical, purposeful week providing genuine insights into seasonal farming and the responsibility of caring for land and animals. The Gold Award Residential will be an exclusive occupancy, so you really will have the place to yourselves to enjoy!

All activities on the farm will be fully supervised by our knowledgeable and experienced staff, and we 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 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.

The residential is full board - we provide all meals, although the group will be involved in food preparation, cooking and other kitchen duties (washing up!). A multi faith prayer space is available.

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

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