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19th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception and Year 1 – Gemma's Farm visit

As we are sure you are aware it has been difficult to arrange educational visits outside of school this year so as mentioned in our earlier letter, we have arranged for some furry farmyard friends to come to visit us here at Friars.

On Wednesday 16th June, we will be visited by the brilliant 'Gemma's Farm', who will bring along a range of animals including sheep, goats, chickens, ducks, ferrets, rabbits, a pony and Gemma's best friend 'Blue' her border collie. There may also be the chance to see any babies that the animals have given birth to recently.

This is not the first time Gemma's Farm have visited Friars and we are sure that the children will love seeing, handling and learning about the animals in such close quarters as they have done in the past.



We would also ask for a small contribution of just £4 per child to help towards the costs of the day. This can be paid via Parent Pay, by selecting the 'Gemma's Farm' option. Please do not send cash into school.

Contrary to our earlier letter, we will now need the children to come into school in their normal school uniforms as we have Tempest photographers in school to take class photographs on the same day. The children can bring wellies and a waterproof coat to wear on the day.

If you have any questions at all, please email the teachers at reception@friars.southend.sch.uk or year1@friars.southend.sch.uk and one of our class teachers will get back to you.

We hope that the children will really enjoy the day and that you look forward to hearing all about it.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Bennett, Mrs Hill, Mrs Brett and Mrs James

Mr Barnham, Miss Goodwin, Mrs Clifton and Mrs James

The Reception and Year 1 Teachers