

## **Farm Boy**

Suitable for KS2

This package includes resource for you to use in the classroom before and after the trip.

### **Pre-visit classroom activities**

Introduce the visit with a letter from Farmer Jess asking for help with looking after the farm. She'll send photos and a map which you can use to discuss with the pupils what tasks a farmer has to do and how they might be asked to help out on the day.

Use our 'Dress-Up' Farmer to discuss what a farmer might wear and why, as well as what pupils should wear on their trip.

Watch videos of our animal team doing some of their daily tasks.

### **Suggested activities at Sacrewell**

*Tractor Ride (£1 per pupil):* Your driver will define key vocabulary from the Farm Boy book (e.g. acre, ploughed field, furrows, orchard, crops) by pointing out real life examples where possible. Tractor rides last approximately 30 minutes.

*Farm Tour (£1 per pupil):* Visit our horses to help your pupils relate better to Joey and Zoey. Our team will explain the meaning of specialist vocabulary like colt, socks and bay. Each group will also help out with a farm task related to at least one



animal mentioned in the book (horses, sheep, chickens, pigs or cows). Maximum group size for each Farm Tour is 15 pupils. Farm tours last approximately 45 minutes.

*Farm Hunt (free, self-led activity):* Pupils search the farm to find a barn, a stable, a plough with a ploughshare, an old tractor, some Bamford's machinery, a yoke and a harness. Images appear in the Harper Collins edition of the book. The Farm Hunt is designed to take around 30 minutes.

### **Post-visit classroom activities**

Use your visit as the focus for a piece of writing, either write a job advert using our official template so that Jess can hire some more staff or write a diary of a day in the life of a farmer at Sacrewell. Reinforce your pupils understanding of what life is like as a farmer by sequencing our photos to show what tasks the animal team at Sacrewell do each day.

### **Curriculum links**

While this day will cover aspects of the science and technology curriculum related to food and farming, our aim with this offer is to provide an engaging and memorable experience that will help your pupils to make the most out of their studies of the Farm Boy book in school.

