

Sponsor an Animal



I'm only £30
per year

Sponsors are vital to the life of the farm as their money goes towards the upkeep and feed for the animals. Sponsorship makes a wonderful present for Christmas, Birthdays or any Special occasion.

Sponsors receive:-

A Welcome Pack
Certificate of animal sponsorship
Copies of our regular Newsletters
Opportunity to visit the sponsored animal

Why Heathrow Special Needs Farm is such an important place

Heathrow farm is an important place for many people with disabilities. Its a place for people to come and work with plants and animals, learn how to care for them and enjoy life without the fear of prejudice. There are many proven benefits of working with plants and animals. If you would like to find out more visit our website or call the farm manager Lisa. Contact details are on the reverse of this page.

URGENT WINTER FEED APPEAL 2011 – 2012



Do you remember last winter?

The temperature fell to -10C at Heathrow Special Needs Farm in January 2011.

Please help us to make sure that we have enough feed and bedding for our animals this winter.

Animal feed costs have already increased dramatically over the past 3 years. This year they are likely to increase even further because of the poor harvest, general inflationary trends and the increased production of bio-fuels.

We have over 80 animals to feed, horses, sheep, goats, pigs, chickens, rabbits, guinea pigs and ducks. Our feed costs amounted to £150 per week last winter and costs are going to rise this coming winter. The increased cost of diesel and electricity has also put a serious strain on our budget.

We are struggling financially like many others and we are desperately worried that our animals may go short of food this winter.

Example of costs:

Hay bale £8, straw bale £6
Sheep nuts £7.95 per bag. Pig feed £8.75 per bag. Goat mix £9 per bag. Pony nuts £7.50 per bag. Chaff (for horses) £10 per bag. Chicken corn £6 per bag.
Layers pellets £7 per bag. Rabbit & guinea pig mix £11.99 per bag. Fresh veg. per week £55

Annual animal costs:

Feet trimming £900. Worming £700. Vaccinations £1200.

Monthly animal costs:

Vet costs approx £200

Farewell

November 2011 is the end of our three year Big Lottery Fund project. This means we say farewell to Lorraine Reid who has raised awareness of the HSNF to many new groups and individuals and to Emily Collins (Emo) who has provided care support services to all the new clients thereby enhancing their farm experience. We thank them both for all the marvellous work they have done for the farm and thank you to the BLF for providing the funds to make it happen.

Client Christmas Party!



Wednesday the 7th of December 11am to 1pm

A farm full of festive cheer!



Please contact Lisa if you wish to attend.

New Arrivals

Jeffery - A 6 month old domestic goose, was given to us as the owner could not longer keep him, he is a cheeky noisy chap, who has taken over as the boss of the coop.

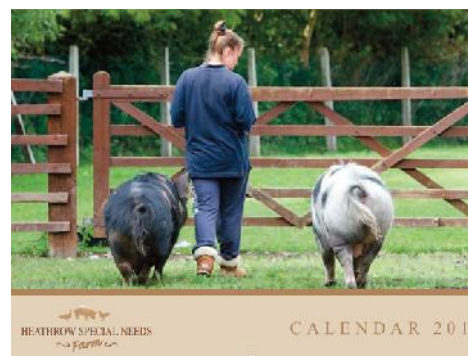
Dot and Jim - 2 golden gurnseys - arrived with us on 27th august from spitalfields farm, They are an adorable pair who have fitted in great with the others and growing very fast.

Peppa - A 6 month old saddleback pig - arrived 27th october an unwanted pet, she is always on the go and wants to be friends with everyone and everything.



2011 Merchandise

Christmas Cards & Calendars



Don't forget to snap up the farms merchandise of Christmas cards and Calendars before it's too late! To order yours go to our website or visit the farm shop.

Christmas cards £2 per pack for 10 cards

Calenders £7.99

each calender sold feed 1 animal for 2 weeks

open day - 3rd september 2011

This was a fantastic day and a huge success raising just over £3500 with over 900 people attending, a big thanks go out to all who came, donated prizes and of course to all the volunteers to help before, on the day and after.



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We hope that you have enjoyed reading this edition of the Heathrow Special Needs Farm Newsletter and that you have found something of interest. If you, your family, friends or carers have any suggestions for articles that you would like to see included for future issues, or maybe you have an interesting story to share with us, please let us know. Email us at specialneedfarm.heathrow@virgin.net. We look forward to hearing from you in the near future. When you have finished with this newsletter please pass it on to a friend or recycle it. . If you do not want to receive this email in future, please contact us at the farm.

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