



# Meersbrook Bank Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have a very exciting opportunity for a farmyard school visit. Not going to a farmyard – but the farmyard coming to us! This visit will also support our upcoming topic of learning about farm animals. The visit is planned to take place in the school yard on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February during the morning for children based in the foundation unit.

Here's a bit of info just to keep you in the loop and so you know your children are safe and won't be eaten by tigers! The company visiting us is called Ian's Petting Farm which specialises in visiting primary schools with their mobile farm and are passionate about the work they do and believe that children should be given the opportunity to touch and learn about animals up close from a young age. They have 2 large gazebos one for the animals and one for the children to sit under if the weather is bad, and all the animals have special pens. They bring along small animals such as chickens, ducks, guinea pigs, rabbits, tortoises, and goats. They also bring along alpacas and bring some of their fleece, wool, and a scarf to show where woollen knitted clothes come from. Children will also be able to take a closer look at the larger animals such as alpacas, donkey, pony, sheep, and goats and they will have the opportunity to stroke and brush them.

Here is the company's website link should you wish to look them up for information

[www.iansmobilefarm.com](http://www.iansmobilefarm.com).

The cost of the experience is £8.35. The cost of this experience has been subsidised by FMBS. This is a voluntary contribution but without enough funds, the day will not be able to go ahead as our school funds are not able to support these additional costs. **Payment should be made via ParentPay please no later than 31<sup>st</sup> January.**

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the visit with us, please contact Mrs Dyball or Mrs Grant through class dojo or the school office.

We are really looking forward to this visit and know that the children will thoroughly enjoy the experience.

Best Wishes

Mrs K. Dyball  
Reception Class Teacher

Mrs C. Grant  
Nursery Class Teacher

