



Love's Farm News



Helene (left) and Marcus (right) from LFCA with the 4th St Neots (Love's Farm) Brownies and their new flag.

A New Flag for the Brownies

The Love's Farm Community Association (LFCA) awarded a grant to the 4th St Neots (Love's Farm) Brownies to buy a new flag. The pack moved to Love's Farm House when it opened, and they really wanted to have a flag that showed they are proud to be the Love's Farm Group and have the new name on the flag.

Their leader Kiwi commented, "We would like to say a huge thank you

to the Love's Farm Community Association. The Brownies' eyes lit up when they saw our new flag. We will be using it at all ceremonial events to show off that we are proud that 'Love's Farm' is now on our flag".

The LFCA offers grants of up to £100 to local community groups on Love's Farm. Visit www.ourlovesfarm.co.uk/grants for further details.

Love's Farm Birthday Party for the Queen

Sunday 12 June, 2-4:30pm

Join LFCA for a party for the Queen's 90th birthday here on Love's Farm. All the usual traditional birthday party fun, games and cake! Come dressed in red, white and blue or royalty themed. Lots of fun and games for all the family.

Tickets cost £1.50 for children and 50p for adults (under-2s go free) and must be bought in advance so we know how much cake we need.

Pop into Love's Farm House or contact Emma at emma.lovelock@ourlovesfarm.co.uk to get your tickets.



Funding Secured for Youth Club

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm

"Ground Zero" is the name of Love's Farm's senior youth club. Meeting at Love's Farm House on Wednesday evenings, it's a cool space for young people aged 12-16 to hang out. A £2,000 donation from BPHA (Bedford Pilgrim Housing Association) and a £940 grant from St Neots Town Council have enabled LFCA to give young people on Love's Farm the opportunity to meet up, have fun and become involved in the wider community.

Kester Pre-school

Kester Pre-school is a brand new pre-school, opened in January 2016, located in Loves Farm. Our facility forms part of the new building, Love's Farm House, right next to the football ground.

We are managed by the Pre-school Learning Alliance, a national membership charity dedicated to providing families with high quality childcare.

We offer families a safe and caring environment where young children can learn and develop.



- Morning, Afternoon or Full Day sessions
- We provide a broad range of fun and challenging activities both indoors and outdoors.
- We take funded and non-funded 2, 3 and 4 year olds (subject to eligibility and availability)

If you would like to find out more then please call in or contact Kerry Maltby, Setting Manager, via email on kester@pre-school.org.uk, call us on 01480 218565 or visit www.pre-school.org.uk/kester-pre-school

From small beginnings in November 2015, the group now sees between 12 and 18 young people every week. Activities include PlayStation, snooker, air hockey, badminton, cooking, art & craft, music and free Wi-Fi. If you are older and want to get involved, come and talk to Declan about volunteering.

Residents' Survey

Please tell us what you think about Love's Farm in our online survey. Love the playgrounds? Hate this newsletter? We want to know. Please visit www.ourlovesfarm.co.uk/survey – it should only take five minutes.

Love's Farm Dog Walks

Sunday 5 June, 9:30am

Join our monthly Love's Farm Dog Walks on the first Sunday of the month. The non-strenuous walks last for about an hour, and are a great way to socialise the dogs – and their owners too! Meet at the Stone Hill Bridge at 9:30am. Email keela.shackell@ourlovesfarm.co.uk.

Join our SMART days

Saturday 11 June, 11am or 2pm

Grab and grabber and SMARTen up Love's Farm on 11 June and July 9. Meet at the Pirate Ship at 11am or 2pm. Come for as little or as long as you can. Email community.chaplain@yahoo.co.uk.

Best Kept Garden

As part of the bpha 25th anniversary celebrations, the housing association wants to find the best gardens and recognise people who take pride in their outside space. If you are a bpha resident who is proud of whatever green space you have, whether it's a balcony, container or garden, this is a great opportunity to show off your skills. You could also nominate a neighbour's garden that you admire. There are two categories: Best Kept Garden, and Best Communal Garden.

Please complete the form at www.ourlovesfarm.co.uk and send it to bpha. Closing date 16 June 2016.



Love's Farm House is Hiring: Part-time Administrator

Love's Farm House seeks to appoint an administrator to help with the day-to-day running of the community centre. The role will include managing bookings, contributing to the website, producing the What's On guide, assisting hirers and visitors and being the friendly face of Love's Farm House. The successful applicant will have excellent communication skills, meticulous attention to detail and a friendly, positive approach to customer care. Please visit www.lovesfarmhouse.com/jobs or visit the Farm House office for the full job description.

The post will be 15 hours per week, mostly weekday mornings but with flexibility to reflect the booking schedule and with the potential for overtime. £10 per hour.

To apply for this position please send a CV and covering letter setting out why you are suitable for this role to jobs@lovesfarmhouse.co.uk. For more information please contact Ben on 01480 262626.

Spotlight on... Kester Pre-school

► By Melanie Dingemans,
Operational Manager

Kester Pre-school opened in January 2016 and is located on Love's Farm next to Love's Farm House. We are managed by the Pre-school Learning Alliance.

We offer pre-school sessions for children aged 2, 3 and 4 years old. We are open 9am to 3pm, Monday to Friday during school term times. Our staff are dedicated to the children and their families, giving focused support to each individual child.

We have a safe, stimulating environment, rich with both indoor and outdoor learning opportunities. We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and we deliver this in a way that is best suited to the children who attend. We like to get messy, we love to explore and best of all we like to have FUN!

As part of our daily routines we have been shopping at Tesco so that we can prepare our own snack and we have even made our Grownups 'Afternoon Tea'!

On 14 June we will be joining with Roundhouse Pre-school and visiting Hinchingsbrooke Park. We also hope to explore more of the local environment and head up to Auntie's Wood. We will be getting our best singing voices ready for Christmas when we will be putting on a concert for everyone to come along and enjoy.

Contact Kerry at kester@pre-school.org.uk or call 01480 218565.

Hartbeeps Up For An Award

Hartbeeps has been nomination for an award at the What's On for Little Ones Awards 2016. The group celebrated by creating a special red carpet party session for the toddlers, babies and newborns, with a bit of help from the new disco lighting at Love's Farm House.

Next term Hartbeeps goes outside in the Farm House garden where the small people will take a developmental and sensory adventure in a magical plant pot!

Rhymetime Needs You!

St Neots Library is looking for volunteers to help run their popular Rhymetime sessions at Love's Farm House on alternate Thursdays at 3.30pm. The sessions are great fun – parents, babies and toddlers come along to enjoy half an hour of rhymes and songs. If you would like to be involved, please call into St Neots Library or email sue.batchelor@cambridgeshire.gov.uk for more details.

Love's Farm House Regular Events

Farm House Bar

Fridays from 7:30pm

Finally, a bar on Love's Farm! We're open every Friday night at Love's Farm House from 7:30pm. There's

lots going on (see below) and it's a great way to meet fellow residents.

Karaoke Night

First Friday of the month

Our Karaoke nights attract a real range of talent: great singers, terrible singers, downright bizarre singers – it's the taking part that counts!

St Neots Film Club

Third Friday of the month

St Neots Film Club meets at Love's Farm House on the third Friday of the month. Films are picked by club members and end with a lively discussion in the bar afterwards.

On 17 June we have *L'Eclisse* (1962), which explores the difficulty of forming true connections in the modern world. Head to www.facebook.com/StNeotsFilmClub for more information.

Love's Farm Quiz Night

Last Friday of the month

The bar is open from 7:30pm and the quiz starts at 8pm. It's never too serious, and if you're on your own there's always a team you can join.

Lazy breakfast

Saturdays 9-11am

Enjoy a leisurely start to the weekend. Bacon butties, croissants, pastries, toast and great tea and coffee, served by our team of volunteers.

Farm House Coffee Shop

Tuesdays 9am-12:30pm

We serve a scrumptious selection of home-made cakes and cookies, cappuccinos and lattes, speciality teas and luxurious hot chocolate. Pop in after the school drop off and you're bound to see some friendly, familiar faces.

Leanne's Little Legs Daycare

Experience Childcare As It Should Be

Are you looking for affordable good quality childcare for your children in St. Neots?

Here at Leanne's Little Legs Daycare we offer Childcare that follows the EYFS Learning Curriculum to help with your child's learning and understanding, getting them ready for their transition to Nursery and School. We offer childcare for children from 6 months all the way up to 12 years.

We do a range of activities with the EYFS children to develop their learning helping them to understand the world and many other aspects of their development.

We currently offer School Drop-offs and Collections at:

The Roundhouse Primary Academy

St. Mary's C of E Primary School

and

Priory Park Infants (From September 2016)

We Also offer Half Term Clubs

Check out or website at: www.leannehamshere.wix.com/littlelegsdayscare
(Use Square01 as the password this is case sensitive)

All our staff are DBS checked and all have up to date Paediatric First Aid and Child Protection

Ofsted Registered Childminders
Official Ofsted Grading: Good



Hull Way,
Loves Farm

St. Neots, PE196GS

Contact Leanne Hamshere: 01480 531323

Switch Café

Thursdays and Fridays 10am-2pm

Expect a warm welcome, fantastic cakes and a delicious lunch menu including toasties, sausage rolls and salads.

Switch Café offers meaningful work placements and supported training for young adults with additional needs, to help them progress towards paid employment and more fulfilling futures. Visit www.switchnow.org.uk.

School's Out For Summer

Saturday 23 July, 3pm-7pm

The volunteer team at Love's Farm House are hosting a party for all Love's Farm residents to celebrate the start of the summer holidays. There'll be a barbecue, games and exciting activities for kids plus a silent auction with amazing prizes. There's no entry fee but please put 23 July in your diary now!

Sports Screenings at Love's Farm House

In May we enjoyed the FA Cup Final and Eurovision on our four-metre screen at Love's Farm House. On 11 June we'll be tuning in as England takes on Russia in the Euro Championships. On 10 July we have the Wimbledon Men's Final and the Euro Champions Final. The bar is open, and well-behaved children (accompanied by a parent or guardian) are welcome.

Love's Farm House Gallery

Friday 10 June, 7:30pm

Join us for our second exhibition of work by local artists and photographers. This month we feature a collection of line drawings by artist Christine Linehan in the foyer and café space at Love's Farm House. The exhibition will be unveiled on 10 June but you can pop in any time afterwards to enjoy them.

If you'd like to exhibit at Love's Farm House, we'd love to hear from you. Please email hello@neotists.co.uk.

First Aid for Parents

Monday 18 July 2016, 7-9pm

This two-hour Paediatric First Aid for Parents session is held by ABC Life Support CIC. The Basic Life Support course gives participants the opportunity to learn the knowledge and practice the skills required to preserve a life in any emergency situation involving infants and children. Arrive 6:45pm for a 7pm start. £10 per person. Contact caroline@abclifesupport.co.uk to book your place.

Round House Summer Fair

Friday 24 June, 3:30-5:30pm

The Round House Primary Academy's Summer Fair is on Friday 24 June in the school playground. There will be games

and competitions, a tombola, two bouncy castles, a burger van, home-made ice cream plus many other stalls. There'll be many fabulous prizes in the raffle and lots of cakes, strawberries and cream.

It's a fun-filled afternoon for the whole family and a great way to support the school. The PTFA is always grateful for raffle and tombola donations, or any offers of help – so if you think can, please email gemma.ptfasecretary@gmail.com.

Kidz & Sibz

Sunday 5 June 3:30-5:30pm

On the first Sunday of each month, Love's Farm House is host to an exciting new charity promoting the wellbeing of the family, the dignity, choice and independence of young people, disabled people, and children with medical conditions or special needs. Kidz & Sibz also provides a mutual support network for parents and carers, and opportunities for disabled children, young people and their non-disabled siblings to meet and have fun with peers in a welcoming environment.

St Neots Film Festival

7-11 November 2016

Plans for the St Neots Film Festival are underway. The Festival offers local amateur film producers the opportunity to have their work shown at Cineworld. It runs over three nights, the first two hosted at St Neots Cineworld on 7 and 10 November 6-9pm, with the third night being hosted at Love's Farm House on 11 November from 7:30pm. www.stneotsfilmfestival.co.uk

Get Involved!

Wednesday 15 June, 7:30pm

Our Community Association meetings are held at Love's Farm House on the third Wednesday of the month. Come along to find out what we get up to and how you can get involved.

Advertise here. Reach 1,400 homes on Love's Farm with a half-page, quarter-page or classified advert. Contact keela.shackell@ourlovesfarm.co.uk.

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Next LFCA committee meeting:

15 June at 7:30pm at Love's Farm House

What's On

June 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>Hartbeeps 9:30, 10:30 & 11:45am</p> <p>NCT Mother & Baby Yoga 1:15 - 2:45pm</p> <p>Pop Movers 4:15 - 5pm</p> <p>At Peace Yoga Therapy 7 - 8:30pm</p>	<p>* Farm House Coffee Shop 9am-12:30pm</p> <p>Baby Sensory 9:40am, 11am & 12:20pm</p> <p>* BPHA drop in 2 - 5pm</p> <p>Pilates 6pm, 7pm, 8pm</p> <p>* Love's Farm Runners 8pm at the MUGA</p>	<p>* Love's Farm Starlings (inc health visitors) 1:30 - 3pm</p> <p>1</p>	<p>* Switch Café 10am - 2pm</p> <p>* European Union Referendum Debate 7:30pm</p> <p>2</p>	<p>* Switch Café 10am - 2pm</p> <p>* Karaoke at the Farm House Bar 7:30pm - 12am</p> <p>3</p>	<p>* Lazy Breakfast 9 - 11am</p> <p>* Councillor Surgery 10 - 11am</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Life Drawing 9 - 11:30am</p> <p>* Love's Farm Dog Walk 9:30am at the Pirate Ship</p> <p>* Breakfast Church 12:30-2:30pm</p> <p>* Kidz & Sibz 3:30 - 5:30pm</p> <p>5</p>
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Events are at Love's Farm House **foyer**, **hall** or **meeting room**, or **out and about**. Events with a * mean just turn up. For others, please book in advance. Visit www.lovesfarmhouse.co.uk or call 01480 262626 for more information.