

VAUXHALL CITY FARM

CHRISTMASTIME EVENTS



DONKEYS

What's more festive than meeting donkeys! Last month, we welcomed two new donkeys to the farm, Amber and Jinny. They are both quite cuddly and inquisitive, and excited to get to know you! Learn more about donkeys [here](#)



LEROY AND THE CHICKENS

Respected local author and illustrator, Michelle Stewart will be hosting a festive reading of Leroy and the Chickens on the farm. Copies are available in the café and proceeds support the farm.



WREATH MAKING

We have 2 sessions each Saturday making wreaths from scratch to take home and enjoy. We have take-away and deliver wreaths available. Our final session is on Saturday, Dec 11.



Ben and Jerry have been on the farm for over 12 years. We feel it is time to retire them soon. We are searching for funding to bring crias (baby alpacas) to the farm and allow us to continue providing experiences with animals.

Ben and Jerry have had many media appearances from Star Wars to BBC to TFL shoots and Play Ojo. For more information visit [here](#)

SANTA'S GROTTO

10.30am - 1pm & 1.30pm - 3.45pm

Each child gets a fabulous present for ages 0-8

Santa will be here: 11 & 12 Dec, 18 & 19, Dec, 21 & 22 Dec.

Tickets are 10£ per child



RIDING SCHOOL

We are proud to be RDA certified to provide riding lessons to disabled people.

Our riding school is currently being rebuilt and is looking for staff and volunteers to manage the programme. We plan to open in early 2022



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INFORMATION SHEET



WHO WE ARE

Vauxhall City Farm is one of the oldest and most central city farms in London being located within earshot of Big Ben and in the shadow of M16. Despite this proximity to 'wealth', Lambeth is one of the most deprived boroughs in London and the farm is surrounded by high-rise blocks occupied by individuals and families, many of whom have low incomes and suffer poverty of opportunity.

Given the open access nature of the farm, it would be very easy to dismiss VCF as simply being a cute place to visit and all about the animals. Behind the public face, the reality is that our animals, whilst much loved, are essentially a *vehicle for education and change*; the animals featured in many of our programmes are key to helping our staff and volunteers engage with and deliver *positive impact* for both individual beneficiaries and groups from our wider community.

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Half-Term Club - All of our half term clubs have elements of animal care, gardening, developing social skills and much more. They are hands-on sessions that really connect young people to our little green slice of London.

Farmer For a Day - will join the farm team for a day getting involved in all aspects of caring for the animals – everything from mucking out to quality cuddle time and a photo shoot with their favourite animal.

Young Farmers - is a Saturday morning club for young people aged 8-14, where you'll be able to take part in a range of great activities from looking after animals to mini beast hunting, growing weird vegetables to making your own butter, grooming goats to spinning wool, making new friends, learning new skills, having fun and much, much more!

Work & Volunteer Experience - we provide opportunities to people 14 and up. Volunteers can work with the farmyard, café, community garden, riding school, and more. We also provide short-term work experience for young people.

Mobile Farms - Bring the farm to you! Whether its a school event, party, charity event, we provide transportation and friendly animals to any location within 5 miles of the farm.

VCF BY THE NUMBERS

50,000 visitors per year
300 volunteers per year
50 years of service to the Vauxhall area
Over 80 animals to meet

The Need

- 1 in 3 children are growing up in poverty or at economic disadvantage
- 22% of our riding school users recorded a disability
- 77% of participants recorded non-white ethnicities
- 318,000 people live in Lambeth, one of the most densely populated areas with little access to green space



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