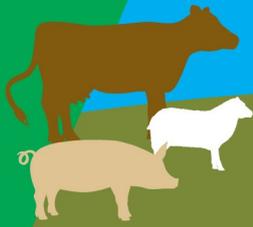




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# Forth Valley

Spring Newsletter 2017

## About RHET

The Royal Highland Education Trust supports schools across the Forth Valley area with projects and topics on food, farming and the countryside.

We provide free risk assessed farm visits for schools and farmers to speak in classrooms.

## Our Work in Forth Valley

Covering Stirling, Falkirk and Clackmannanshire, RHET Forth Valley helps with farming related topics in the classroom.

If you'd like to find out more about what's involved in organising a farm visit or a classroom talk please visit our website: [www.rhet.org.uk](http://www.rhet.org.uk)

Or if you'd like to speak to the RHET Forth Valley Coordinator directly you can contact them using the details at the bottom of this page.

## Bus Funding

We now have money towards bus funding from Falkirk Community Schools Charity and Tesco Schools Fund for farm visits. Up to £100 will be contributed per school to the bus costs.

## RHET Run 2017



The first ever RHET Run is a 5k Family Fun Run, which will start and finish at Briarlands Farm, the route will take participants on a unique traffic free loop round the roads and tracks of Blairdrummond Safari Park.

The event details :

Saturday 17th June 2017

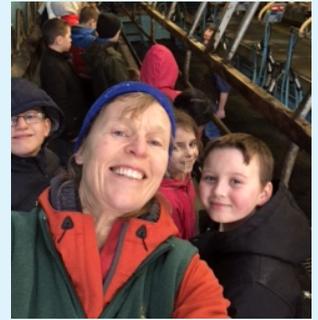
6-9pm

Briarlands Farm FK94UP

enter on line:-

[www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

All supporters can enjoy food and fun at Briarlands



## New Project Coordinator

Katie Brisbane is our new Project Coordinator for Forth Valley.

She grew up on a small dairy, soft fruit and sheep farm that later became "The Farmlife Centre".

She has 4 grown up children, lives on a beef and arable farm near Stirling and works part time at Briarlands Farm.

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## Teacher Training

For first and second level teachers, we offer hands on training around exploring planting and growing, cookery, ingredients and healthy eating. For third and fourth level teachers we deliver sessions for life skills maths and contemporary food issues.

All our training is free with equipment/ resources provided. If you are interested in getting involved please contact us [saras@rhass.org.uk](mailto:saras@rhass.org.uk) or 0131 335 6290 and we can work with you to provide a training session plan.

## Farm Visits & Classroom Talks

This academic year has been one of our busiest years ever.

RHET Forth Valley hosted 36 farm visits for 870 children and organised 78 classroom talks to 1,686 children.



## Early Years Box

We have a new farming resource, the Early Years Box, which is aimed at nursery to P2.

The box is full of helpful books, puzzles, DVDs, dressing up outfits that teachers can use to help explain farming to younger pupils.

Our new box is very kindly sponsored by Alloa Rotary Club and is available free on loan to schools for a fortnight at a time.

## Teacher Feedback

The day was a great success which was enjoyed by all of the children and parents. This visit was a great rounding off to our class topic about farming and brought the topic into a real life context. Thank you.

**Maddiston Primary School**

The staff, pupils and parents of St Mary's would like to say thank you for this resource, human and practical, and will definitely continue to use and promote RHET. The additional help for paying for transport made a great deal of difference to utilising your programme.

**St Mary's Primary School**

Buses to take children on educational outings have now got so expensive but we were able to walk the mile from the school to the farm so we really appreciate having this opportunity on our doorstep.

**Cowie Primary School**

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