

The Waitrose farm  
*Leckford Estate*

# The Grapevine

## Crops

Today is Simon Collins last day in the Crops team, we would like to thank Simon for all his hard work and wish him the very best in the next step of his career, Simon, you will be missed! (as will Tilley!)

## Fruit Farm



This week we have welcomed in excess of 150 Partners for Harvest Helping hands, they have managed to pick all the

Apples and pears, so the Partners next week will be helping in the Vineyard

## Save the date

Christmas Party - Sunday 10th December  
At the Lodges  
Tickets will be available soon - watch this space!

## Water gardens

The Gardens and Grounds team are pictured here in front of the Great Broad Walk Borders at Kew Gardens. We had arranged a day with the team to see how another garden maintains their trees and plants and to build relationships with Kew. We were fortunate to have a guided tour of the Great Broad Walk and Arboretum which enabled the team to ask questions. We are hoping that some of the Gardens team at Kew will visit us in the near future



## Democracy Week

Democracy Week takes place between the 16th and 22nd October. The aim is to reconnect with democracy and co-ownership, therefore understanding the benefits and difference of working in the Partnership.

### Programme

**Monday 16th October** - Introduction video by Jane Burgess, Partnership Counsellor.

**Tuesday 17th** - 8.30 David Jones, Partnership Registrar

**Wednesday 18th** - Two tours of Longstock House - 9.00 am and 10.30 am - limited numbers please see your manager  
**Thursday 19th** - 1st Meeting of the newly elected PV to be held at Longstock House

**Friday 20th** - David Jones, Partnership Registrar - 8.00 am at Farm Shop, 11.00 at Mushroom Farm, 2.00 at Leckford Lodges

**Saturday/Sunday 21st & 22nd** - Introduction Video by Jane Burgess

Mini Co-ownership Modules will take place at convenient times and venues throughout the week

A daily quiz will also take place with forms to be handed into the Estate Office by **Monday 23rd** at 12.00 pm.

## School Day

On Wednesday this week we welcomed around 130 school children from three local schools onto the Estate to take part in schools' day. Thank you to those Partners who prepared and presented activities for the children around food production and farming. Olga, Rodney, Mike Green, Ian, Mitch, Francoise & Andrew Ferguson prepared some great activities that really engaged the children. We had great feedback on the day from the teachers and from the Country Trust who coordinate the day with the schools. Thank you also to everyone who helped to put the day together by providing props and equipment and with the setting up and clearing away of gazebos and signage. Overall the day involved about a dozen Partners so thank you to everyone.

*Please send contributions to next week's Bulletin **no later than midday on Wednesday 4th October** email: [laura.bowdidge@waitrose.co.uk](mailto:laura.bowdidge@waitrose.co.uk) or **Marcin Krok if in Polish** [krokmk@gmail.co.uk](mailto:krokmk@gmail.co.uk)*

## Birthdays

**This week :-**

*Nikolaos Spilliopoulos*

*Laura Keane*

*Amy Webster*



**REMINDER** - Please ensure that you sign in if using any of the the meeting rooms - this includes Estate Office, Mushroom Farm training room and the Locker room

This is due to Fire regulations

## Links

The Waitrose Weekly  
Can be found on the links:-

**Online:**[Here](#)

**Google Drive:** [Here](#)

**Intranet:**[Here](#)

And also available on the new Partner  
Communication App:[Here](#)

\* **Link to LOP**

[Click here](#)

\***Guidance for Line Managers**

[Click Here](#)

**Working Partners**

**Access to Google Community:** Please use your NetDom username and password, if you do not have one or are locked out please call IT directly on 742-6666 or arrange a training session with Lizz Daghish (PCM) 737- 678

[Lizz.Daghish@waitrose.co.uk](mailto:Lizz.Daghish@waitrose.co.uk)



## In other news

### MacMillan Coffee Morning

3rd October

12.00 - 14.00

Mushroom Farm PDR



All Partners from the Estate are invited to participate (bake or buy a cake, donate some money and spend some time with their fellow Partners).

This year we are going incorporate this event with BYTW week.

## LOP

### Leckford Operating procedures

[Click here](#) to access the website

Please use LOP as your first point of call for any queries -

Such as

- How do I reset my [Partnerlink password](#),
- How do I book the Hilux?
- Is the meeting room free?

The site is constantly being updated, please update the site with information about your own department, if you require more training please email

[Laura.bowdidge@waitrose.co.uk](mailto:Laura.bowdidge@waitrose.co.uk)

### Duty Manager Number

**We are having an increasing number of calls to the Duty Manager number for residential issues.**

**For any residential issues please call Carter**

**<https://sites.google.com/a/waitrose.co.uk/waitroseweekly/waitroseweekly164> Jonas in the first instance on 01962 876838/ 07796 310184**

### Duty manager number -

**The duty manager number is for Emergency matters only - Duty manager number -01264 812113**

**Please call the Maintenance emergency number for any mechanical issues -**

**Maintenance number - 07701397873**

**Please call Carter Jonas for any residential issues - Residents - Carter Jonas :- 01962 876838/ 07796 310184**

### Podiatrist

The podiatrist will be visiting the mushroom farm on the following dates - please book in - Wednesday 13th December

**\*\* Please make sure you book in at the Mushroom Farm\*\***