



TIPS FOR FARMERS

- **During the test call** – check how far your face is from the device you are holding for best sound levels etc.
- **Prepare an opening sentence and set the scene**, e.g. *Kia ora/ Hi it's Farmer Marie here and today I'm standing in front of our milking shed...*
- **Don't worry about questions, you know your farm.** It's okay not to know the answer, just let the class know you'll find out and get back to them at the next session.
- **Feel free to send a follow-up video or email to your matched teacher about a question that was asked.**
- **When you receive a question from the students, it's a good idea to repeat the child's question-** this gives you more time to prepare an answer.
- **Talk positively and ramp up the energy when you can**, as this increases the students' enthusiasm.

DO:

- ✓ Use headphones.
- ✓ Choose an interesting / relevant location (however your farm office is fine if this is where reception is best).
- ✓ Ensure you have a good internet connection.
- ✓ Use what's around you.
- ✓ Introduce your dog(s) and show the animals around you.

DON'T:

- ✗ Have a call in the wind.
- ✗ Use farming jargon or acronyms, or if you do, explain the terms. Check with your teacher as the class might like to create a farming vocabulary glossary.
- ✗ Use wild hand gestures.
- ✗ Feel the need to answer all questions.
- ✗ Forget to charge your phone.

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