



Farmer Time

Safeguarding Code of Conduct

Beef + Lamb New Zealand Inc. and *Farmer Time* are committed to the safety and wellbeing of every student participating in this programme. We also ensure that the adults we work with are briefed in the correct behaviour expectations when working with children and young adults.

When participating in the *Farmer Time* programme, we ask schools to follow their own safeguarding procedures. As farmers are only virtually present when participating in the *Farmer Time* programme, there is no legal requirement for them to be police vetted. However, please find below the *Farmer Time* Safeguarding Code of Conduct which all participants in the *Farmer Time* must follow in order to participate:

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- Pupils should never be left unsupervised during a *Farmer Time* session, an adult member of staff must be present at all times and fully involved in the activity for the call to take place.
- Pupils should never take part in an individual video communication with a farmer.
- *Farmer Time* sessions should always take place within school hours (including after school clubs) and on the school site with a member of school staff present.
- *Farmer Time* calls in school should always be carried out on registered school devices.
- Children should be reminded about not sharing personal information during the calls.
- Full names- (i.e. first and last name) of the children should not be used during the call.
- Acceptable language must always be used by all participants.
- Farmers have no communication with any participating children outside of the classroom video session, including social media.
- Any recording of conversations or photographs by the school should be stored securely using the school's procedure for storing information.
- Farmers and teachers are not permitted to take or store photographs, screen shots or video recordings of any children taking part in the *Farmer Time* session on any personal devices (phones, iPads, laptops etc.).
- Farmers, teachers and students (if applicable) are not permitted to share photographs, screen shots or video recordings of any children taking part in the *Farmer Time* session on social media or with anyone else.
- Farmers, teachers and students (if applicable) are not permitted to discuss any specific participants (farmer, teacher, school children) involved in *Farmer Time* on social media.
- General, non-specific social media posts are encouraged, but only if permission has been approved from both school and farmer.

We hope that you find this information helpful and follow this code of conduct to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the young people that we work with.