



# Ansty PYO & Farm Shop

June 2018



## Picking News

### ASPARAGUS, **STRAWBERRIES**, GOOSEBERRIES

The Asparagus season is almost at an end! It has been loving this warm weather! The season officially ends on the 21<sup>st</sup> June, so please enjoy now! (Not that Robin and K are counting down the days – its back breaking work!!). The strawberry season is now at its peak. The table top strawberries are now open and they are deliciously huge! The low down ones have been amazing, a really delicious flavour. Thanks to everyone who has come picking so far. There is probably only about 3-4 weeks left of peak strawberry season so please enjoy this summer crop whilst they are at their best! But don't fret there are lots of other berries ripening quickly. Keep an eye out for our next email or post on Facebook to see when the raspberries, tayberries, loganberries, blackberries, blueberries, red, black, pink and white currants are ready! The gooseberries are amazing at the mo too! Superb for a quick gooseberry fool, delicious for jam making or great for freezing down for those winter crumbles.

On the veg front the broad beans did not enjoy the winter/spring weather. We do have a few but they are in short supply at the mo. Spring onions are great! We have started digging the new spuds. Wow – what a flavour! They are really delicious, really easy scrapping!



### Gorgeous Garden Plants

We now stock a beautiful selection of in season perennials, alpines and herbs. Definitely worth a tempting glance when you next pop in!



### Helen's Lamb from Alvediston

We have had a new delivery of Helens lamb. There is a great selection in the freezer, large and small joints and really reasonably priced! Whether you want a quick mid week chop or a tasty family weekend joint – come and have a look! Another fresh one is coming soon!

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### June Opening Times:

**NOW OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK!!**

Tuesday – Saturday: 9.30am – 5.30pm

Sunday and Monday: 10.00am – 4.00pm



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## Ansty Kitchens - Cooking News

Apricot & Walnut cakes, lemon drizzle cakes, fresh strawberry meringue roulades, Broad Chalke Watercress & Ansty new potato soup! And that's just in the last few days! The kitchen is in permanent use at the mo! Our new spelt & honey loaf is having some great comments and the light rye is also proving popular! Our lovely Gail created a stunning wedding cake for a wonderful local wedding. 150 scones whizzed out to Berwick Fete last Saturday!



## New Coffee in the Tea Room

We have just changed our coffee supplier in the tea room! Now keeping it local! We are freshly grinding 918 Coffee Co's delicious coffee for our coffee machine. One of our lovely tea room frequenters said she "liked it so much they had to order another one"!! Fancy a break next time you come in - chillax in the tea room with a truly scrumptious cup of coffee. The milk is local too! Esme's Mum is still bringing their Church Farm Dairy milk for us to use in the tea room. We love to support other great local businesses!

## Ansty Team Update!

We welcome back the lovely Jemima for another summer season. We also warmly welcome 2 new faces: Nathalie and Helen! They have both slotted into the Ansty Farm Shop team perfectly! We wish Esme and Ellie great fun with their travels - please ask us for regular updates or keep a track of Esme with her "Esme travel time line above the counter"!

## Compost

A new delivery of compost has just arrived! We have plenty of all sizes of multi purpose. Plus ericaceous, chicken pellets and garden manure compost.



## Farm News

Planting, mowing, weeding, table top fixing and more planting. It's a really busy time on the farm at the min. Trying to get the watering right on the strawberries is a full time job alone! One minute windy, one minute wet then one minute cooking hot. The covers are going on over the next couple of days to stop the wind from knocking the plants about! K has been busy tying in the new growth of the tayberries, blackberries and loganberries - to protect next years new canes. The weeds have taken over this year! We are looking very organic! Lots of hand weeding has been done - but it is an ongoing battle this year! And don't mention the slugs!!!!!!!

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