

Calling all schools in the West Norfolk Borough Council area!

West Norfolk's popular Food Fortnight community learning event is to be held again in 2007 thanks to funding from the West Norfolk Partnership.

The last Food Fortnight took place in November 2005 and involved more than 90 local organisations including schools, businesses and community groups, with over 4,000 people taking part in at least one of the food themed activities held across the Borough during the fortnight. The event is a celebration of all things food and provides an opportunity to explore the subject in a wide variety of ways such as through art, culture, diversity, history, farming, cookery and health. This year will be the fourth Food Fortnight and we hope it will be the best yet.

This year's event will take place from 27th October through to 10th November and programme planning is already well underway. In November 2005 at least 27 schools across the Borough participated either by hosting an event for the public or by using the food theme as a basis for activities with pupils during the school day. This year we hope even more schools will wish to be involved in this exciting community project. There are a number of current initiatives that could link with the event including Healthy Norfolk Schools, and the Year of Food and Farming which runs from September 2007 – July 2008 (supported by Defra, DfES and the Department of Health)

The event is being organised by Gill Daniels, Coordinator for the West Norfolk Skills and Learning Group, supported by a steering group of representatives from partner organisations. If you would like your school to be involved or would like some more information about the project please contact Gill on 01553 679438 or email gilldaniels@aol.com. Further details about Food Fortnight 2007 can also be found on the West Norfolk Partnership website www.wnp.org.uk