Third Grade Agricultural Awareness Days April 12 and 13, 2011



Jinx Baney, VCE spoke with students in Mrs. Hall's class from Brunswick County about the many different products we get from sheep.



"Baby Girl" and her lamb "Max" were on hand for students to see and pet.



Students getting to know Baby Girl and Max.



Tricia Mays, Piedmont SWCD, teaches Rose from Kenbridge Elementary the importance of good ground cover.



Grace Cook from Crewe looks at some runoff water from soil that did not have good ground cover.



Kevin Camm, VCE, demonstrates the value of a good pulley system at the Simple Machines station. One small girl can move two big boys!



A hammer is a simple machine (lever).



This lesson was about the simple machine the Wheel and Axle.

Moving a heavy object can be tough.



Kevin explains how a wheel and axle make moving a heavy object much easier.



Turning the skateboard over proves his point!



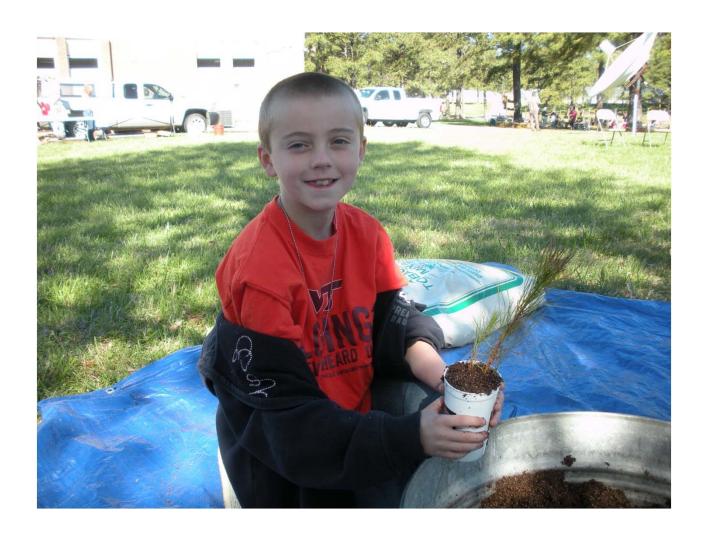
Brandon Martin, Fort Pickett Forestry Department, planted pine seedlings with Lunenburg students.



And also with Nottoway County third graders.



Each student received a seedling to take home and plant.



Beth Nelson from the Fort Pickett Forestry Department shows students the many products that we get from wood.



Taking a closer look at the rings of a tree.



Mitch Wallace, Nottoway County FFA member, demonstrates the strength of an egg shell. Students were learning that even developing chicks require food, water, air and shelter.



Maggie Shepherd, Nottoway FFA, shows students that air can pass through an eggshell.



Sydney Harmon from Kenston Forest School with day old chicks.



Baby chicks



Sorie Scott, from Mrs. Hazelwood's class, is dressed up to show the many differences between humans and cows.



Two week old Jersey calf from Richlands Dairy



Students were able to handle many of the different types of feed that dairy cows eat.



Milking the "no-kick cow"



Jersey and Holstein calves.



Smurfit Stone provided the Paper Making station. Students learned about renewable resources and then each made a sheet of paper from wood pulp to take home.



Ashley Carson, VCE, helps Chrishawn Jackson make a sheet of paper.



Mr. Tommy Coleman, Principal of Crewe Primary School, helps with making paper.



Mrs. Bacon's class with "Sassie" at the Horse station.



Students were able to handle feed, tack and equipment used with horses. Mrs. Carly Woolfolk, Agriculture teacher and FFA coordinator at Nottoway High School led this station.



Students petting the horse



Wildlife Conservation Police Officer Brett Saunders talks with students about predators and prey.



He brought pelts, skulls and pictures of many types of local wildlife.



Students crawled through a soil tunnel. They could see all of the many things that make their home in our topsoil.



Katie Martin, NRCS, shows students field crops that are locally grown and their seeds.



Casey Lewis, Nottoway FFA, maded water cycle bracelets with students.



Students reviewed the Water Cycle...precipitation, evaporation, transpiration, condensation.



Jimmy Maass from Virginia Farm Bureau talked with students about ATV safety and the importance of ALWAYS wearing a helmet.



Haley McCann and Justine Scruggs introduced students to Farmer Ben and his farm. At this station students completed math problems to help Farmer Ben provide food, water, shelter and clean air to his animals.



Sarah Wells brushed up on Math skills while learning about how farmers provide care for their animals.



Thank you Nottoway Chapter of the Future Farmers of America for all of your help with Ag Awareness Days!!!



We look forward to 2012 and the next Third Grade Agriculture Awareness Days.

Bring your entire family to Family and Farm Day Saturday September 10, 2011

