



LOVEJOYS NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2019

We have just experienced some significant rainfall, unlike last year, so hopefully it has come just right for the potato crop as they need water around 6-8 weeks after planting and again when in flower as the tubers form. This will lead to a potential better yield this year and the price being lower.

SALADS - All our baby salads, rocket and spinach are delivered daily, along with the micros from Westlands nursery. Both businesses are opposite each other and transport is shared to us.

All the little gem, lollo, oakleaf, frisee etc comes from our grower in the New Forest with watercress from John Hurd and all our fresh herbs from Folly Farm in Warminster.

We try at this time of year to always have a selection of UK tomatoes. Please give us a call for more information and any items you think I may have missed.

VEGETABLES - Obviously Summer vegetables, like peas, broad beans, spring cabbage, kohlrabi, beans, courgettes, broccoli and a few unusual vegetables like summer squashes are plentiful but what we call out of season vegetables like root crops are expensive as they are imported, with swede, leeks and parsnips most affected.

POTATOES - Again until the new season potatoes start, prices will remain high, especially bakers and Maris Piper, but new potatoes will get cheaper as I said at the beginning of this newsletter. Hopefully the rain earlier this month will be of great benefit to the main crop potatoes.

Our grower in Corsham is trialling a couple of new varieties and we will keep you posted as to when these become available.

FRUIT - All stone fruit is now in season but please remember gooseberries have a short season. UK strawberries and raspberries can stretch until the end of October.

Blackberries and blueberries will become UK grown and English apples and pears will start very soon.

LARDER - Please don't forget we also have a **whole** warehouse dedicated to our ever growing range of larder products. Local Lacock Dairy ice cream and frozen fruit smoothies for the hot Summer months, through to store cupboard staples, flour, sugar and pastas, along with kitchen essentials, such as cling film, parchment paper and blue roll. Please give one of our team a call with any larder enquiries.

Please ring us for any more information or, if we can help by visiting you, please call and this is something we can arrange. Always remember you are welcome to visit us at any time to see our operation and our ever expanding larder section.

You can also text me on 07763 306134 for any quick answers on your produce questions.

Take care and keep busy.

Neil