



Kids between three and twelve, this is for you. The Formentera Council, by way of the Office of Agriculture, has announced the launch of an introductory course in farming for children, the first of its kind. Signups will remain open until May 16 or until the course reaches its 30-child limit and will take place in person at the Citizen's Information Office (OAC) and online across the office's virtual platform. So explained the CiF's councillor of rural affairs, Bartomeu Escandell, in a press conference earlier today. Happy to see the project take flight, Escandell called the course a reflection of "the administration's determination to invest in our children's agricultural connection at a very young age". According to the councillor, farming is important because it is part of Formentera's traditional past, "but also because it's part of a healthy lifestyle".

After the May 16 deadline, the agriculture office will call families to confirm enrolment. The course itself will start the third or fourth week of May. It will run six weeks with one two-hour session per week. Participants of the workshop-style course will be divided into three different groups. One group will meet Tuesdays 5.30-7.30pm, another on Fridays at the same time and a third group will meet on Saturday mornings, 10.00am to 12 noon. There is a ten-child limit per group and children will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis and according to the preference stated at enrolment. The classes are free and will be held in the play area near the sa Tanca Vella chapel in Sant Francesc. Remember to bring comfortable clothes and appropriate shoes.