

OLIVER KAY

Fresh Produce Update

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Fruit Of The Week



Rhubarb: New forced crop grown in West Yorkshire. Works well with Smoked fish

Veg Of The Week



Celeriac: UK origin. Versatile root veg ideal in soups, purees or roasted in the oven

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Quality Update

Key:  = Alert  = Warning  = Resolved / For Info

CODE	PRODUCT	MARKET SITUATION	PHYSICAL CONDITION	COMMENTS / ACTION
21471 96962 75682	Sweet & Thai Basil	Poor weather in Kenya affecting availability & quality	Reduced life. Thai basil will be substituted with sweet basil were required	Keep stocks tight and use quickly
55724	Catering Mushroom	Dual supply	Poor Shelf- life. Seeing increased instances of blotch in some deliveries	Keep stock tight and use quickly
98795 99045	White Onions	Italian crop inconsistent	Quality much improved this weekend	Monitoring shelf-life this week
16073	G Tomato	Canary Islands	Quality and shelf- life now good	Issue Resolved

Additional Information

UK Supply:

Limited disruption expected this week due to snow, ice and flooding in different parts of the UK which has led to some road closures. Hard frosts anticipated over night in some areas may also impact the quality of crops still in the field like savoy and Kale. UK Rainbow chard has now finished.

Seasonal:

Indoor grown UK forced rhubarb is now available. This is supplied by a grower local to our West Yorkshire site and is traditionally prized for both for its vibrant pink colour and sweeter taste than the out door grown crop.