

## VISITOR RISK ASSESSMENT - 2020.

**FARMER PARRS ANIMAL WORLD, ROSSALL LANE, FLEETWOOD, LANCASHIRE FY7 8JP - 01253 874389.**

It is advised that this is only a guide and schools are encouraged to carry out a pre-visit and conduct their own risk assessment.

NEAREST A&E – BLACKPOOL VICTORIA HOSPITAL, WHINNEY HEYS ROAD, BLACKPOOL FY3 8NR – 01253 300 000

NEAREST NHS ‘WALK-IN’ CENTRE – WHITEGATE HEALTH CENTRE, WHITEGATE DRIVE, BLACKPOOL FY3 9ES – 01253 655 871.

FLEETWOOD SAME DAY HEALTH CENTRE – HEALTH & WELLBEING CENTRE – DOCK STREET, FLEETWOOD, FY7 6HP - 03001231144

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Walking from coach drop-off or car park to entrance. Traffic (60 yards)	Low	High	Medium	Coaches are welcome to load/unload by entrance drive before parking in carpark. If not off-loading at the gate visitors are advised to carefully supervise the crossing. Car park is a short walk across a no-through entrance. External light on office building to light carpark and walk ways. Traffic and parking restrictions to be adhered. Speed limit in car park.	Low
Stranger danger/ Lost pupil Lost child	Low	High	Medium	Ensure teachers and parents are aware that they are responsible for supervising children. Customers are encouraged to stay in small manageable groups. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Group visits must comply with recommended adult to child ratios. Regular headcounts are recommended for group visits.	Low
Slipping tripping/falling	Medium	Low	Medium/low	Paths swept regularly. Teachers to inform parents that suitable footwear and clothing should be worn. Pathways are concrete tarmac or grass. Please don't venture onto poor ground in bad weather. Paddocks will be closed in bad weather. External lighting installed where possible.	Low
Animal handling. biting risk Plus knocking and trampling.	Medium	Low	Medium/low	Please ensure animals are only handled under close supervision. Ensure children are aware that animals must be treated with respect. Any loose sheep, chickens, geese or ducks should be given respectful space and not chased. Feeding advice given by staff at farm entrance. Customers also advised which animals to feed. Feeding advice also printed on printed timetable which is provided to every family.	Low

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Risk of infection from animals.	Low	High	Medium	<p>We make sure everyone is aware of importance of hand washing during safety talk at the beginning of the visit.</p> <p>Hand sanitising stations are situated at regular intervals around the farm.</p> <p>Reminder signs are situated around the farm and in the washrooms.</p> <p>For group visits the children are reminded of this before they eat lunch or after they have touched the animals.</p> <p>Please try to discourage children from putting their hands near their mouth during contact with the animals.</p> <p>Any animal with higher risk of spreading infection eg upset tummy; a physical barrier to be provided.</p> <p>Defra and government advice to be circulated to staff and recommendations to be implemented.</p>	Low
Water/ponds	Low	High	Medium	<p>We ensure all pond fencing is secure and safe and not accessible by children unless fences are climbed over.</p> <p>Please ensure children do not climb on any fencing/gates/trees during the visit.</p> <p>Survival ring to be stationed by ponds on farm.</p> <p>Ensure fences and perimeter boundary is secure to reduce the risk of people gaining access to water after hours.</p>	Low
Equipment in museum open to view and touch.	Medium	Medium	Medium	<p>Ensure all children are supervised at all time whilst in the museum. Do not allow them to climb on the machinery or reach into exhibits.</p> <p>Warning signs are present in the museum on all relevant machinery and exhibits.</p> <p>Exhibits to be fenced and chained off where required.</p>	Low
Allergies	Medium	Medium	Medium	<p>Ensure children with allergies to animals, hay, straw and dust are identified and treated accordingly throughout the visit.</p> <p>All activities to be voluntary and advice provided eg whether to take part.</p>	Low

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Animal show / hands-on (Biting / trampling)	Low	High	Medium	<p>Ensure children stay seated during show.</p> <p>Farm staff have control of animals at all times.</p> <p>Experience and qualifications considered to ensure correct staff and volunteers handle appropriate animal.</p> <p>Ensure alleyways between the chairs are kept wide enough for animals to pass through - as laid out by our staff.</p> <p>During hands-on and stroking activities, head kept away from customer where possible.</p> <p>Advice and information provided by staff to customers verbally during activities on how to be safe.</p>	Low
Pony rides. Falling off Being kicked/ knocked.	Medium	High	Medium/high	<p>Staff will give clear instructions to adults, teachers and children..</p> <p>Protective head gear to be worn during the ride.</p> <p>Please ensure the children do not climb on the gates.</p> <p>Only 2 rides happening at any one time – the rest of the children to wait outside.</p> <p>The ponies are lead at walking pace only.</p> <p>Another member of staff walks along side holding either the child or saddle, two members of staff per pony.</p> <p>Photograph to be taken at the end of ride.</p> <p>Children to be lifted onto pony by member of staff, to hold on and keep feet out of stirrups. Children to look forwards and sit up straight.</p>	Low
Tractor rides Falling / tripping	Medium	Medium	Medium	<p>Trailer has high sides to prevent falling.</p> <p>Children must remain seated at all times.</p> <p>Member of staff supervising at all times.</p> <p>Member of staff rides in trailer also.</p> <p>Padlock on gate on trailer to ensure stays shut.</p> <p>Children to walk when embarking and disembarking tractor ride trailer.</p>	Low

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Play area. Trip, slip or fall	Medium	High	Medium	Children must be supervised by an adult while using the farm play areas. Children should refrain from climbing over barriers or misusing the climbing equipment. Play area not to be used during bad weather.	Low
Bouncy Castle Injury	Medium	High	Medium/high	Bouncy Castle only to be used by children age 12 and under. Shoes to be removed before using bouncy castle. Only the recommended amount of people to use the bouncy castle at any time. Bouncy Castle inspected daily and any defects to be reported. Safety notice to be positioned by bouncy castle with safety advice. All children to be supervised while using the bouncy castle.	Low
Ball Pit Injury or loss of personal belongings	Low	Low	Low	All valuable to be removed before entering the ball pit. All outdoor clothing(jackets and footwear) to be removed before entering ball pit. No throw ball pit balls.	Low
Weather Heat exposure, sunburn, cold weather	Medium	Medium	Medium	Responsible adults are advised to ask children to wear suitable clothing for the time of year.....including suntan cream in summer. Warm protective clothing and footwear in winter. Most of the farm is concreted so wellingtons are not essential but maybe useful. Warm and wet weather clothing is recommended at all times due to changeable weather.	Low

Pregnant Sheep Health risk to pregnant women.	Low	High	Medium	We ensure there is signage next to our pregnant sheep advising pregnant women to keep clear and wash their hands thoroughly. They should have no contact with pregnant ewes, newborn lambs or the birth products of sheep and goats. Information to be printed on timetable handout during relevant seasons.	Low
Farm Machinery (e.g. tractor or loadall)	Low	High	Medium	Farm maintenance jobs to be carried out at appropriate time. Machinery to be used sparingly between the hours of 10am and 5pm. Banksman staff to be used or barriers to segregate machinery from visitors. Feed orders and hay to be brought into the barn either earlier in day or later in day to reduce risk.	Low

**The farm is accessible to those in wheelchairs and with other mobility issues (with the exception of the upper floor of the museum).**

**Please make staff aware of any special needs requirements when booking the visit.**

**Disabled toilets and ramps are available. All sessions and tours are adaptable to the special needs of each group.**

**First aid box - available from the cafe.**

**Please arrange a designated meeting place in case of separation – we recommend either the ‘school room’ or ‘cafe’.**

**Full supervision is required for children using the playground.**