



Fields and Farms | Provision visit information

We are an alternative provision based on a farm, we create opportunities for work based outdoor learning experiences for children and young people with additional needs.

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Location and Parking	Oak Tree House Farm Nailstone Road Barton in the Beans CV13 0DH Parking is available on site at the side of the cabin. You will be met at the gate and shown where to park.
Opening times	9.30am to 2.30pm Leicestershire term time only
Facilities	We have a cabin on site which has a learning space, kitchen area, office and chill out area. There is a toilet block with ladies and men's toilets. Hand washing facilities are in the toilet block and in the cabin. The cabin and toilet block are in a securely fenced paddock which also has a chicken enclosure, sheds, growing area and garden. We have access to parts of the main farm – barns, stables and sheep field as other learning spaces.
What we offer	The care farm offer a range of outdoor learning opportunities within five main areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Animal care• Horticulture• Ground care and conservation• Art and Design• Agriculture We carry out tasks and activities such as feeding the sheep and chickens, planting and cultivating and cooking our lunch with the produce we have collected.
Staff information	The provision is staffed by myself, Jo and Nicki my colleague. We are both qualified teachers and have

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	current DBS certificates. We have a wealth of experience with children and young people of all ages and with a range of learning difficulties. We both have a passion for the outdoors and between us a variety of experience in farming and keeping different animals.
Resources	We provide gloves as and when needed and also high vis vests which must be worn at all times. Children and young people must wear suitable footwear such as boots or wellies and also bring warm and waterproof clothes.
Risk assessments	We have risk assessments to cover each area of the farm we may be working. We will carry out individual risk assessments for children/young people who we deem necessary.
Policies and procedures	All our Policies and Procedures are available to view in the cabin and can also be emailed on request.
Accessibility	As a new provision we are working hard to make the farm as accessible as possible, unfortunately at the moment we are unable to accept wheel chair users onto the farm because the only toilet facility is accessed via a step.
First aid/Safeguarding/Fire safety	There are two level three trained first aiders on site. Jo Dudek is the DSL The Fire safety policy outlines the procedures and the assembly point is clearly sign posted.

Health and Safety on the farm

We are committed to keeping everyone safe on our farm. As with all farms there are of course risks and therefore rules must be set and adhered to so that we all stay safe.

The risk of infection is very small but the diseases caused by infection could be serious, by following simple Health and Safety guidelines the risk is minimised.

The Health and Safety executive has produced guidelines for schools and group visit to farms – these can be found at www.visitmyfarm.org.uk



Washing hands – We have hand washing facilities in the toilet block and cabin, please ensure all hands are washed after working anywhere on the farm, before eating and before leaving the farm.

Fields and Farms Health and Safety rules

Please only eat food that you have brought to the farm or prepared in the kitchen, do not eat food that has fallen to the ground and do not eat animal feed.

Do not eat or chew unless in the designated area.

Check that cuts, grazes etc are covered with waterproof dressings.

Make sure that children and young people wear suitable clothing and shoes.

Make sure children and young people do not suck fingers or chew pencils/crayons etc.

Check footwear before leaving and use the foot bath if necessary, to clean boots.

Do not pick up tools or equipment unless told to do so under supervision.

Listen carefully and follow the instructions being given by the farm staff.

Do not climb on equipment, fencing or walls.

Please approach and handle the animals quietly and gently and do not chase or tease them.