



Health and Safety Summary

Full detailed risk assessments and HSE advice can be found on our website at rarebreeds.org.uk/schools-groups/health-safety

In order to minimise any risk to health, please observe the following key points:

- Follow our [Animal Contact Advice](#)
- Children should be supervised by an adult at all times.
- Animals should only be touched at the supervised 'Meet the Animals' sessions.
- Animals with a calm temperament are selected for contact during our supervised 'Meet the Animals' sessions. The animals are accustomed to being handled and are usually friendly, however all animals have the potential to bite or butt and should be treated with respect. It is best to hold your hand flat and approach the animal from below its chin, rather than towards its eyes or forehead, which it may interpret as a threat.
- Encourage the children to be quiet, calm and gentle around the animals.
- **Alcohol gels are not a substitute for hand washing.**
- Hand washing facilities and welly wash can be found in various locations around the farm – check the farm map.
- Please be aware of moving tractors and vehicles.
- Do not allow children to climb on farm machinery.
- Pregnant women should avoid contact with sheep and goats during lambing season.
- Please **do not feed our animals**, they have their own diets and the wrong food could damage their health.
- The fire assembly points are located:
 - Outside our Gift Shop and reception
 - Next to the pig race track in the main paddock