



EDUCATIONAL VISITS

2025/26 Packages



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ACCESS TO FARMS

A partnership promoting quality educational visits to farms

WELCOME TO OUR FARM!

Bluebell Dairy is a family run Dairy farm and award winning farm attraction on the outskirts of Derby city. The farm has been in the Brown family since 1953 when Grandpa Brown first moved in and we have been milking cows ever since.



In 2008 we diversified into ice cream production and opening our farm to visitors so that they could meet our animals and play whilst they enjoy our delicious artisan ice cream.



We have a huge passion for food and farming – as custodians of our farm, we take our environmental responsibility very seriously. We are members of the Natural England Higher Level Stewardship Scheme, with the aim of managing habitats to deliver significant environmental benefits and increasing biodiversity.

Our farm is also Red Tractor Assured, farming to high levels of animal welfare, environmental protection traceability, and food production.

We believe that it is incredibly important to educate children on where their food comes from and to bridge the disconnection with food that often exists in our modern society.



WHAT'S THE SCOOP?

The package

-  A led session of your chosen topic that is linked to Key Stages 1, 2 and EYFS. Lead by our Farm Guide
-  Q&A with our Farm Guide
-  Access to indoor & outdoor play areas, as well as all animal areas
-  A free scoop of ice cream per child
-  Undercover area for lunch
-  Free spaces for teachers on a 1:5 ratio



Pricing

-  £10 per child +VAT
-  £5 per additional adult +VAT
-  £3 per adult ice cream +VAT

Tractor Rides

These can be provided as an optional extra at £2 per child.

Available April-September (dependant on ground conditions)

(Not available for Funded Visits)

Natural England Funded School Visits

We offer 25 fully funded visits for schools every year. The funding applies to visits of 36 pupils or less.

THE FARM FORECAST!

How the day will look:

-  Arrive at the farm from 9:30am, to be greeted by your Farm Guide.
-  Begin your led session
-  Farm tour & Farmer Q&A
-  Lunch & Ice Cream
-  Free play time!
-  Collect bags, toilet stop & wave goodbye!

You will be sent a personalised itinerary for your visit in advance. However, this may be subject to change in the event of extreme weather.

Let's dig in!

Choose your topic

Book your visit with our office team

Pay the deposit

We'll see you on the farm!

Please remember that we are a working farm, so wellies, coats and waterproofs are essential!





FIELD TO FORK

LET'S PLOUGH THROUGH THE TOPICS!

Cow to Cone

Available: All year
Suitable for: KS1 & KS2

Lots of children don't know that ice cream is made from cow's milk! This workshop will guide you through our milking process. Starting with the grass in the field all the way through to the ice cream in their cone!

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding where food comes from
- Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat



Butter Making

Available: All year
Suitable for: KS1 & KS2 (Groups of 20 or less)

Children can have a go at making their own butter and learn how butter is made from milk!

Afterwards, the group can enjoy the fruits of their labour and enjoy with some crackers!

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding where food comes from
- Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat



Fruit & Vegetable Tasting

• **Available:** Spring - Autumn

Suitable for: KS1 & KS2 (Groups of 20 or less)

Understanding our food and embracing seasonal eating is crucial for the well-being of our planet. Introducing children to a variety of fruits and vegetables tailored to each season allows them to experience the freshest flavours nature has to offer.

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding where food comes from
- Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat
- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants



Pumpkin Lifecycle

Available: September-October

Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Children will witness the magic from seed to fruit, engaging in hands-on activities like weeding pumpkins and observing growth stages. Through a guided tour of the pumpkin patch, they'll discover the importance of soil, water and sunlight in the pumpkin's development,

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding where food comes from
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow.
- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.





FARM ANIMALS

Mini Farmer Days

NEW

Available: All year
Suitable for: Nursery & EYFS

Come along to our Mini Farmer Days, where nursery and reception children can enjoy a fun, hands-on visit to our working dairy farm. Little ones can try goat grooming, brush the rabbits, make countryside crafts like bird feeders, and hand-feed our friendly animals, plus much more! With a farm tour and plenty of outdoor fun, it's the perfect relaxed day out for budding young farmers!

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding the world, learning about animals, farms and nature first hand.
- Expressive arts & design with our countryside crafts.
- Personal development, encouraging empathy for animals and responsibility.



Animal Care & Welfare

Available: All year
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

A chance to get up close to our animals and learn how they are cared for. Meet our friendly farm residents and learn how to spot if an animal is looking healthy and happy!

Links to the curriculum:

- Identify and name a variety of common animals around the farm and our woodland.
- Learn about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.
- Learn about the basic needs of animals for survival.



New Arrivals

- **Available:** February-May
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Spring is a fabulous time of year to meet our new arrivals. Children will learn how animals are brought into the world and how we care for the offspring and their mums.

Please note that we cannot predict the exact date the animals will be due but we will always ensure the workshop is fun and educational.

Links to the curriculum:

- Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.
- Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals for survival.





SOIL

Pumpkin Planting

Available: May

Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Pupils will delve into the world of pumpkin planting! Getting to plant their very own pumpkin seeds and witness first hand the journey from seed to vine. They'll learn the essential steps to nurture their tiny seedlings into thriving plants, discovering the importance of soil, water and sunlight along the way.

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding where food comes from.
- Understanding seasonality, and knowing where and how a variety of vegetables are grown.
- Observing and describing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.



Seed Planting

Available: All year

Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Pupils will have the opportunity to plant their very own seeds and witness the magic of growth unfold before their eyes. Learning the essential steps to nurture their tiny seedlings into thriving plants, the class will grasp the fundamental principles of plant growth and the significance of their role as caretakers.

Links to the curriculum:

- Understanding where food comes from.
- Understanding seasonality, and knowing where and how a variety of vegetables are grown.
- Observing and describing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.





POLLINATION

Seeds & Flowers

- **Available:** Spring – Summer
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

As part of the Countryside Stewardship Scheme we plant wild bird seed crops and create safe habitats to help our birdlife thrive. Students can help us with this aim and create their own seed bombs to help encourage birdlife in their own homes.

Links to the curriculum:

- Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.
- Observe changes across the four seasons.



Bees & Butterflies

- **Available:** June – July
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Take a stroll through our fields in search of busy pollinators and see them carry out their work. Pupils can then take part in our pollination game, mimicking pollen being passed from flower to flower.

Links to the curriculum:

- Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.
- Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers.





WILDLIFE

Mini Beast Hunting

- **Available:** Spring – Autumn
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Head across the fields and peak under logs & leaves to see which mini beasts you can find! A fun and hands on way for pupils to get up close with a range of fascinating creatures. Finish the session with a demonstration of other bugs from around the world.

Links to the curriculum:

- Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.
- Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.



Habitat Investigation

- **Available:** June – Autumn
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Explore the hedgerow habitats on the farm and learn about the trees and wildlife on the farm. Discover how plants, leaves and berries are a rich source of food for wildlife and search for clues to see which animals live here.

Links to the curriculum:

- Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.
- Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers.





COUNTRYSIDE CRAFTS

Countryside Crafts

- **Available:** Spring–Autumn
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Embark on an adventure around the farm to collect items of nature that the pupils can turn into their countryside masterpieces. Whether it's clay models, countryside pizzas or hanging mobiles, the pupils will come away with something memorable!

Links to the curriculum:

- Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees.
- Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.



"Thank you so much! The children thoroughly enjoyed everything and so did the staff! A great mix of fun and learning!"
-Rufford Primary School

"The children loved visiting the farm, as many of our children have never seen the animals in real life. The staff were amazing and the farm was full of things for the children to do."
-Derwent Primary School

"Brilliant tour around the farm, so helpful and lovely to our students. 10/10 and lovely ice cream!"
-Millgate School



FESTIVE FUN

Farmyard Festivities

- **Available:** December
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Get ready for Elf school! Join your Elf guide as you write letters to Santa, meet his Reindeer and receive a gift from his magical chimney!

Designed to be a fun, entertaining day out in the run up to Christmas.

Links to the curriculum:

- Learn about our reindeer, and how they are able to survive in harsh weather conditions.
Please note this topic is less education based, however we are always happy to work with you on your learning objectives.



£2+VAT extra per child
Not available for Funded visits

Reindeer & Cheer

- **Available:** December
Suitable for: EYFS, KS1 & KS2

Add some festive spirit to the class as you join our friendly Elves and meet our resident reindeer. Reindeer dust making is included, as well as a farm tour.

Links to the curriculum:

- Looking at adaptations, and how reindeer survive in cold climates.
- Reindeer vs Cows - how are they different? What similarities do they have?



MUCK IN AND BOOK YOUR VISIT!

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To make an enquiry about an educational visit, please email education@bluebelldairy.co.uk

We take bookings during the Derbyshire school term time.

A non-refundable £80 deposit will be taken at the time of booking. The remaining balance is to be paid within 14 days of the visit.



Hop on the haywagon and reserve your spot in the herd today!