

Risk Management Strategy

It is essential that students are supervised during their visit to Bullswool Farm Park. Every effort has been made to create a safe environment for all our visitors, and especially young ones. However, we cannot eliminate all risks, and it is the responsibility of caregivers to ensure that children are adequately supervised so that they cannot come to any harm.



Particular care is needed around our car park area.



A First Aid kit is available in our Reception Area. Our closest Medical centre is in Paeroa, 15 Princes St., Paeroa (07) 862 8755.

HAZARDS, RISKS AND CONTROLS

HAZARD AND RISK: child may wander across car parking area, and be injured by a car.

Cause: inadequate supervision.

Controls: Instruction during safety talk. Teachers and parents, and Farm Park staff, and all drivers need to be aware and vigilant when children are in car park area. Children are expected to stay in group.

If a child needs to return to yard area to go to the toilet, they need to be escorted by an adult.

HAZARD AND RISK: children may be bitten by an animal while feeding

Controls: feeder scoops are given to each child, children are taught how to correctly feed animals during safety talk.

HAZARD AND RISK: contact with animals - risk of disease contraction

Controls: wash basins are provided in the toilets.

HAZARD AND RISK: water troughs, streams and ponds - risk of falling in and drowning.

Controls: where possible, bodies of water are covered and/or fenced off, and have warning signs.

Our Native Bird Reserve has a small creek in it. Suitable Staffing Ratios, in accordance with your governing body's policies, are necessary for groups entering the Reserve.

HAZARD AND RISK: child may enter an enclosure with an animal and be injured

Control: All paddocks secure, and gates have kiddy-proof locks.

HAZARD AND RISK: child may enter a shed with hazardous items in it.

Control: all sheds are kept shut, and are clearly out-of-bounds.

NB Supervision must be in accordance with your own governing body's requirements.

Bullswool Heritage Farm complies with the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.