

A Working Farm

Roves Farm is working livestock farm open to the public. It is situated at the foot of the Wiltshire downs on the banks of the River Cole, just a few east of Swindon. Its varied soils, farming methods, wildlife habitats, facilities and experienced staff make it an ideal place for people to visit and expand their knowledge, put ideas into practice & have fun.

Other Facilities

Our excellent indoor and outdoor facilities means that we welcome visits year round.

BRAND NEW FOR 2017 - Four classrooms/ Indoor picnic area
Toilets & hand washing
Cafe & Gift Shop
Ample coach and car parking
Animal Barns & Paddocks housing our friendly farm animals
Tractor and trailer rides to farm habitats, features, animals and wildlife
Heated play barn - **SOCKS are required to use the indoor play areas.**
Outdoor Adventure play & den building

Teaching

Our trained staff from farming and/or teaching backgrounds can make your topics come alive. All teaching is based on the National Curriculum KS1-4 covering subjects such as Science, Geography, History, Maths & PSHE.



School visits are planned in partnership with school teachers to ensure every pupil has a fun, worthwhile and educational day out, gaining hands on experiences that make classroom theories come to life.

Accessibility

We understand that school trips are a vital part of every child's education and our aim is to make Roves Farm accessible to as many children as possible. If a member of your party has impaired mobility you may find the following information useful, but please contact us if you have any questions.

- Easy access drop off point by Reception
- Concrete and hard gravel path access on single level to all animal barns, animal handling and feedings area, tearoom and toilets.
- Lift suitable for a wheelchair to school classrooms and picnic areas.
- Two wheelchair spaces on tractor rides.
- Disabled toilet and easy access hand washing

Grass path to animal paddocks and woodland areas may not be suitable for all wheelchair users.

Cost

We do everything we can to make school trips and educational visits as affordable as possible. **The cost per class is £140 + VAT @ 20% = £168.00 (Maximum of 35 children per class)**

This is for a four hour visit with one guide per class. You may bring one free adult per 5 children, all extra adults will be charged at a special rate of £6.50 + VAT.

Please note the charge per class includes 4 hours teaching with a Roves Farm guide for a maximum of 35 children. If you are bringing more than 35 children, then this will be charged as two classes. You will have two Roves Farm guides and both classes receive four hours of teaching.

Organisation

We want to ensure that you have a happy, interesting educational and safe day out. In order that events run smoothly, we would like to be made aware of the following :-

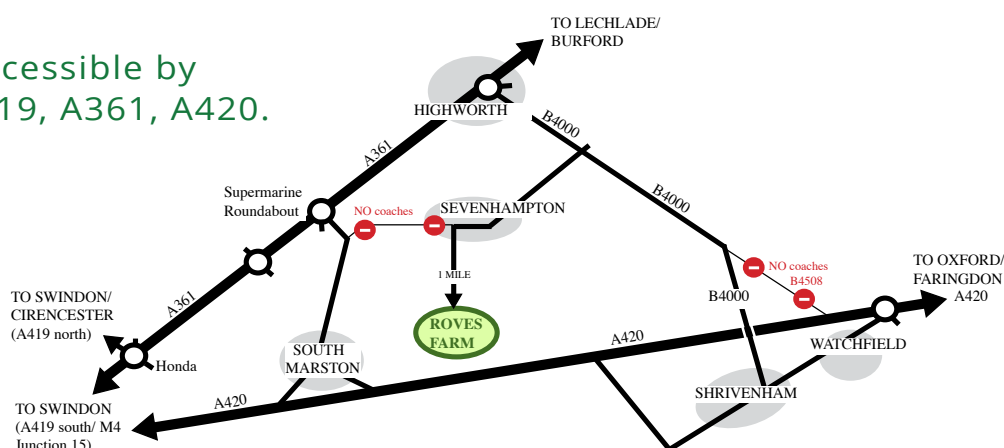
- Date of the visit, arrival and departure times
- Number of adults (teaching staff, ancillaries and parents)
- Any impaired mobility or special needs
- The educational context in which the visit is to be made and its objectives
- Any particular aspects which the group will want to see or talk about.
- Attitudes on either religious or moral grounds of anything that might cause embarrassment to any member of the group.

Getting Here

Roves Farm is easily accessible by coach from the M4, A419, A361, A420.

COACHES MUST APPROACH FROM B4000 Highworth to Shrivenham Road.

Please also inform your coach driver of the **no access roads** on the map.



What to do next

If you would like to check availability, or require any further information on school trips to Roves Farm, please contact us using the details below, or via our website. We look forward to hearing from you.

Further information on Health & Safety, Risk Assessments and Topics can also be found on our website www.rovesfarm.co.uk