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Welcome to Caldermeade Farm & Café

Caldermeade Farm is located on the out bound side of the South Gippsland Highway, on the way to the popular tourist destination Phillip Island

We are a comfortable 30 minute drive from Cranbourne along the M420 Freeway (South Gippsland Highway) and a 27 minute commute from Pakenham via routes C422-M420

Our signage and direct turn into Caldermeade Farm makes us easy to find!

For Farm tours, Café reservations and any further enquiries, please contact us by email or telephone with one of our friendly Café staff

Farm tour packages for Primary School students (Prep to Year 6)

\$13.50 per student

Aims

- To allow children to see how a working dairy farms operates and meet real life male and female farmers
- To give a basic understanding of the processes behind where milk comes from and how it ends up on our supermarket shelves
- To give children the opportunity to learn about and interact with a variety of farm animals in a tactile environment

Available Terms 2-4 only

February, March and April are the busiest months of the year at Caldermeade Farm because this is calving season. As such, our farm staff are on call full time to attend to the cows and calves.

Therefore, unfortunately we are unable to run farm tours during Term 1

10am start

As Caldermeade Farm is a working farm, the staff and cows have daily routines that need to be followed. Tours must therefore start at 10am. This will also maximise the opportunity for students to engage with the farmer and the cows. Please see the itinerary for further details

Requirements

- Minimum class size 20 students
- Children will be required to walk short distances (100 metres) between the Dairy, Nursery & Café
- Sun hats and/or rain gear for inclement weather will be required
- and as Caldermeade Farm is a commercial dairy, it is important to adhere to OH&S requires policy which includes that all farm tour participants wear enclosed protective footwear and be accompanied by a Caldermeade Farm staff member at all times

Accessibility

Dietary requirements can be happily catered to. Lactose free milk, Vegetarian & Coeliac options are available but must be advised in advance

Please advise us of any special needs or disabled/wheelchair access requirements

Itinerary

10 am

Arrival and toilet

10.15

Meet & greet with a real dairy farmer!

See the dairy from our elevated viewing room for a bird's eye view of our rotary platform!

Our farmer will talk to you about the milking procedure and give you the opportunity to answer any questions you might have, such as:

How big is Caldermeade Farm?

How many cows does Caldermeade Farm have?

Why are the cows painted different colours?

How much milk do we get from a cow?

Do cows like being milked?

Where does the milk go?

How many babies do cows have?

What is a baby cow called?

10.40

Viewing

Afterwards, come down into the dairy with our farmer to watch our cows being milked

11.00

Nursery

Follow our Farmer to visit the animal nursery where you will be introduced to the baby animals and given the opportunity to pet & cuddle them

11.30

Playground/Activity Pack

30 minutes to enjoy the play equipment, run around & stretch your legs

Inclement weather; children will be given the opportunity to complete an activity pack in our enclosed veranda area

12.00

Lunch

Afterwards enjoy a sausage sizzle, jelly cup with ice cream and a Devondale milk drink with your classmates

Complimentary coffee/tea for staff/helpers & bus driver

12.30

Students and Staff are invited to spend more time relaxing in our playground area before departure

We hope you enjoy your stay