

At all schools, centres and events an Old Macdonald's Travelling Farms staff member is required to be in the enclosure with the children at all times, monitoring numbers in the pen for safety and security.

The Risk What can happen and the result	Existing Controls	Additional controls to reduce risks
Children may become unsettled due to lack of interaction with animals and thereby cause 'follow on' effect throughout the group	Children are watched carefully for any apparent distress as they enter the enclosure. Should any signs of distress be observed, the child is quickly escorted out of the enclosure and given the opportunity to observe the animals through the fencing, allowing the child to feel familiar with the Animals	Children are re-introduced to the animals by giving them activities within the enclosure (ie apprehensive children who will not feed the animals may wish to groom them and thereby feel comfortable.)
Putting fingers in animals mouth, (may result in a bite on their finger)	As set out above children are taught how to feed the animals by keeping their hands flat, which allows the animals to lick off the food? Experience staff observe children's interaction and intervene where necessary. Signs stating that 'children under 10 may need help feeding the animals' are displayed	Children are reminded of the rules before entering the enclosure and before they commence feeding .Baby animals do not have top front teeth therefore if children do not put their fingers into the mouth they cannot be bitten. Staff are always on hand to offer advice and direction.

Picking up chickens incorrectly may result in children being scratched by the chickens claw	Before entering the enclosure children are taught how to pick up the chickens. This prevents children from getting scratched or frightened when chickens flap their wings. Children are also taught how to gently return chickens to the ground.	Chicken claws are clipped and their feet are soaked in solution every month which helps soften them
Infection transmission is a livestock factor and is largely dependant on hand hygiene	Children are taught the importance of not putting their fingers in their mouths after handling any animal and to wash their hands always after playing with animals.	We supply Anti-Bacterial Gel for hand hygiene at the gate with signage to advise where nearest hand washing facilities are. All animals are drenched, washed and sprayed on a monthly bases in order to minimize any potential infection
Extra Information Tarp & Straw Presentations	Faeces – Floor covered with straw to absorb urine.	Faeces are constantly removed as soon as possible
Animals Escaping	Animal escaping – This is a rare incident as the enclosure has double gate exit	Should this happen animals are easily returned to the pen with the offering of feed.