



Bradford Peverell, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 9SD

**Activity Specific Risk Benefit Assessment - Bygones - Life on the Victorian New Barn Farm**

This risk benefit assessment is to be read in conjunction with the 'Dynamic & Generic' risk assessment.

The group are introduced to life at New Barn in a bygone time when the centre was a working farm in the Victorian period of our history. The group as part of the session will try to identify a collection of artefacts using question, answer and story techniques. Each group will produce a drama/story/documentary about their bygone and how it was used on the farm in Victorian Britain. Alternatively, a quiz based on Call my Bluff is used, where pupils give various definitions for artefacts and the remaining pupils must identify the correct definition. The whole session is led and supervised by New Barn staff.

**How will young people BENEFIT from this activity?**

Individuals will benefit from the knowledge of artefact history, the handling of artefacts will educate individuals about the lives of farmers in the Victorian era, creating a visual and dynamic comparison between a Victorian persons life and their own in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Risk Assessment Completed By: Matthew Dear		Date of last update: September 2023 Review date before: September 2024	
Risk	Who might be affected	How risk is controlled	Overall risk rating: L/M/H
Injury from artefacts	Pupils & Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The session is supervised by New Barn staff throughout.</li> <li>Artefacts are only set out when New Barn staff are present.</li> <li>The introduction includes specific handling instructions and demonstrations for sharp, heavy and pottery artefacts.</li> <li>Specific instructions and demonstrations given for shepherd's crook &amp; Bull Poke.</li> <li>Group staff will be expected to observe and supervise alongside New Barn staff.</li> <li>Children using the shackle will receive special instructions due to the risk of trapped fingers.</li> <li>Any inappropriate handling of artefacts will be dealt with immediately.</li> </ul>	L
Breakages	Pupils & Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instruction and demonstration on the correct handling of artefacts is given in the introduction.</li> <li>Any breakages must be reported to New Barn staff immediately, as it may compromise the safety of the artefact.</li> </ul>	L
Drama Performance	Pupils & Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A stage area is always kept clear.</li> <li>Groups not involved must always stay seated.</li> <li>New Barn staff to ensure the safety of all group members whilst play is being performed.</li> </ul>	L