

# Mrs Marson and Mrs Silverwood's class head to Honeysuckle Farm!



The first group  
were waiting  
for their cart  
ride.



They were  
so  
excited!





Tinkerbelle was getting ready to pull our cart.

**CART RIDES**

One of the most popular attractions at Honeysuckle Farm is the horse and cart ride.

The rides take place daily. The morning session begins at 11.30am and the afternoon session at 2.30pm. We don't just do one ride at each session, but as many as are necessary to ensure everyone gets a ride. The only limits are we must be finished by soon after 1pm at the first session to get ready for milking at 1.30pm and we only do rides for one hour maximum at the 2.30pm session. Listen out for the loudspeaker announcements so that you don't miss out on a ride.

Tommy was born on May 5th 2000 and came to the farm in 2002. He was born on the same farm as Charlie on Saddleworth Moor but the pair are not related.

He is a Shire horse and stands 19 hands high. Tommy pulled the cart around the farm from 2002 until his retirement in 2011.

He is now enjoying his retirement on the farm.

Today two horses take it in turns to pull the cart around the farm: Tinkerbelle and Madge.

**THE FIRST SHIRE HORSE ON WET DAPS**

When the farm first opened to the public in 1992 we only had one Shire horse - Charlie. Charlie rapidly became a firm favourite with visitors and he worked every day of the season until he retired in 2007 after a neighbour's escaped Sheepshead pony kicked him in the shoulder and made it impossible for him to work anymore. Charlie enjoyed his retirement until he passed away peacefully in his sleep on October 17th 2011. You can see his grave on the farm.

**MADGE & TOMMY**

This breed of heavy horse is very similar to the Shire and originates in France. Tinkerbelle was born at Honeysuckle Farm on February 3rd 2009.

Madge (her full and proper name Cowenslane Elegance but we don't use that name much) is a Shire horse. She was born on May 2nd 2012. Madge is very easy going and happy to work around the farm.

After the cart ride the horses enjoy a brush and a wash down.

**CART RIDES**  
11.30am & 2.30pm  
£1 per person  
for everyone aged  
12 months  
and older

**TOMMY PULLS THE CART**

**TINKERBELLE & MADGE**

**MADGE ENJOYS SOME GRASS**





Hold tight,  
we're about  
ready to  
go!

And we're off!





During our cart journey we saw the cows, some sheep and their lambs and a REAL farmer!





Meanwhile,  
Mrs Marson's  
group played  
on the hay  
bales until it  
was their turn  
on the cart  
ride.



They were keen  
to get going.  
On their ride  
they saw...

...a tractor



...COWS



...a calf



...goats



Time for ice creams! Mmm, delicious.  
Thank you to the cows for the milk that  
they used to make the ice cream with.



The goats were very greedy. You'll never guess what they did...

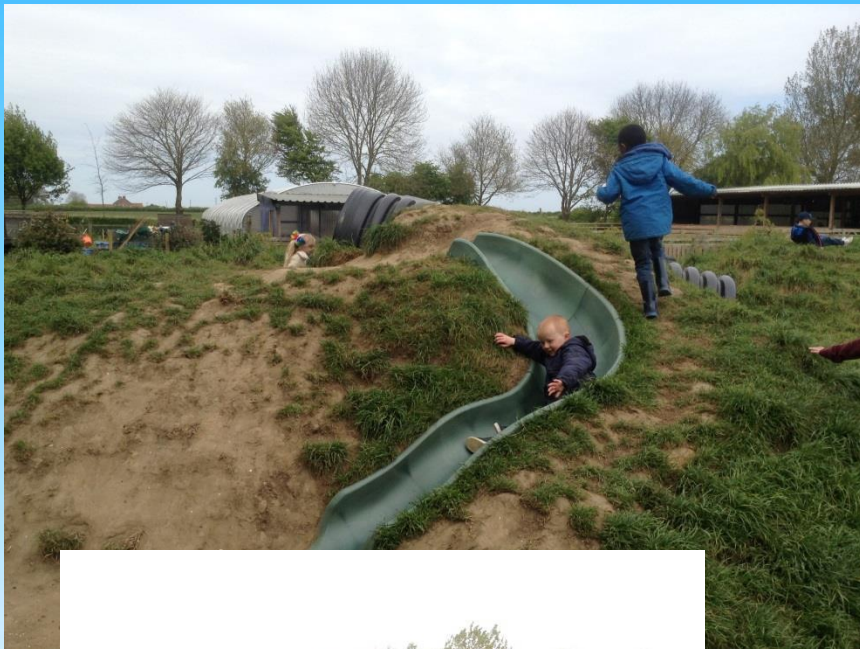


Hey! The  
cheeky goat  
ate my bag!



# Time to play!





We had such  
fun together.

Milking time. Look at all that milk!



And then...

Alex's tooth  
has fallen out!



All that fresh air wore us out! What a lot of  
sleepy-heads on the way home!  
Such a happy day.



