

# About Animal Antiks

Animal Antiks was established in 2014 when a need was identified for a farm environment for young adults with special needs.

Three years on, we now support over 50 children and adults each week and still growing with daily enquiries for our services. An approved provider for Buckinghamshire County Council, working with their Virtual School, SEN, Children's Services, Mental Health and Adult Disability teams.

Our aim remains consistent, for all children and adults to be inspired to achieve; working and learning in our unique environment to grow confidence, and improve, life, social and functional skills.

Our animals have been specially selected (the majority rescued) for their individual disabilities - making great visual aids.



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## Animal Assisted Learning

**Opening Hearts**

**Unlocking Minds**

**Inspiring Young People**

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## Our Vision

For individuals to identify and realise their potential; tackling and embracing new experiences helping them to grow and flourish.

## Our Approach

Our mix of expertise, the range of animals and the unique facility lets us design activities that engage young people, build confidence and develop key life skills.

Our animals not only provide a therapeutic environment, but also a visual aid, from watching them interact in their paddocks, to observing those with disabilities enjoying a productive life.

The daily activities you'd expect to find on a farm, combined with sessions of animal enrichment provide endless opportunities for confidence and build skills.



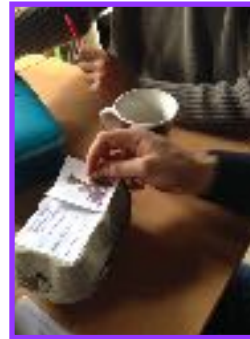
## Adults - Young & Old

Our family of adults, of mixed age and ability come to us from many backgrounds. They all work together, learning to accept each others abilities.



A typical day starts with checking the animals and looking after their needs, working together as team, communicating and problem solving. At times, even a little risk taking is encouraged!

Animal Antiks has a range enterprises run by the team, such as our 'Fresh Farm Eggs', collected, cleaned and packed daily and sold to friends and family - a great way to develop some key life skills.



A favourite activity during the day is animal enrichment - good for the animals.....



And great for our adults with endless opportunities to learn new skills.

## School Age

### Small Groups and Individuals

Recently we have experienced a growth in enquiries from local schools. To meet this need we now support individuals and small groups in one or two hour sessions.



Some young people struggle with the difficulties in their daily lives and just need time out with animal friends who just accept them, listen to them and offer unconditional friendship.

Younger children come to meet the animals and learn about them with some practical experience - using worksheets and other resources - designed to open their minds to a whole new world.

With our unique approach we have seen confidence grow, reading levels improve and skills multiply, helping them achieve more when they return to the classroom.

