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WELCOME TO THORPE FARM CENTRE

If this is your first time discovering us, you're in for a treat. Set in the heart of the countryside, Thorpe Farm Centre is more than just a farm shop and café—it's a place to slow down, enjoy great food, and spend time together. Alongside our fresh, local produce and homemade café favourites, we're proud to host a variety of events throughout the year—from much-loved past favourites to exciting upcoming activities for all ages. Whether you're popping in for a relaxed coffee, browsing for something special, or planning a family day out, you'll always find a warm welcome and something new to enjoy.

A LOOK BACK AT THORPE FARM'S EVENTS

JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

Our Burns Night celebration was a fantastic evening and a real highlight on the calendar. Guests enjoyed a traditional Burns Night supper, complete with delicious haggis, neeps and tatties, creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere in the Courtyard Restaurant.

The evening was brought to life by the sound of a bagpiper, setting the scene beautifully, and the traditional Address to the Haggis, which added a touch of humour and tradition that everyone enjoyed. It was wonderful to see people coming together to celebrate, share great food, and enjoy the experience as a community.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make Burns Night such a memorable and enjoyable event.



FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS



On Valentine's Night guests had the choice of either a 2-course or 3-course menu, lovingly prepared by our kitchen team and served in a warm, relaxed setting. From beautifully presented starters to hearty mains and indulgent desserts, it was wonderful to see so many couples enjoying a memorable evening together. We loved welcoming you all and sharing a little slice of Thorpe Farm hospitality — thank you for spending Valentine's with us. If you missed out this time, don't worry... our next culinary evening is coming in May with Steak Night, where you can look forward to perfectly cooked steaks and all the classic accompaniments. More details coming soon — keep an eye on our socials and next newsletter!

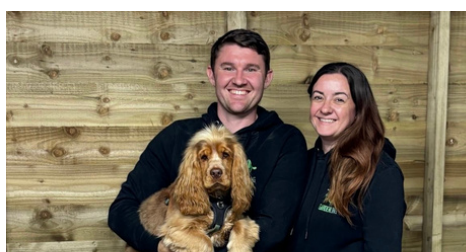
MOTHERING SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Sunday 15th March to celebrate Mother's Day with the special lady in your life. It was so lovely to see both familiar faces and new visitors here at the Courtyard.

We hope you all had a wonderful day filled with love and laughter, and we look forward to welcoming you back again very soon.



A FOND FAREWELL



Unfortunately, we have said farewell to Aidan and Sarah from the Gardening Barn.

We would like to sincerely thank Aidan and Sarah for all their hard work, commitment, and the care they have shown during their time at Thorpe Farm Centre. They have been a valued part of the site, and their contribution will be greatly missed.

We wish Aidan and Sarah every success and happiness in their next chapter, and we're sure many of you will join us in sending them our very best wishes.

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WHAT'S ON

EASTER TRAIL

From 1st April - 28th April

Collect your Easter activity sheet from the Farm Shop, follow the trail through the Heritage Woodland, complete the activities, and receive a special Easter treat at the end!

Fun for the whole family to enjoy together — with plenty of space to explore, run around and make memories.

Open between 9:30am - 4:30pm

Child - £4.50 - Adult £2.50



MEET THE EASTER BUNNY

Saturday 4th April & Sunday 5th April

What's included:

- 2 hour soft play sessions available:

9:30am - 11:30am, 12pm - 2pm, 2:30pm-4:30pm

- Meet the Easter Bunny and collect an Easter treat.
- Complete the Easter Trail in the Heritage wood walk.

Child - £12 - Adult £1



EASTER FUN RUN

Saturday 12th April

Join us for our Easter Fun Run, a joyful, family-friendly event perfect for little legs and big smiles! Run, walk, hop, or toddle your way around the course while enjoying a festive Easter atmosphere at Thorpe Farm Centre, all in support of **UTASS** (Upper Teesdale Agricultural Support Services)

Come and enjoy Thorpe's answer to a park run.

Arrive from **8:30am**, ready for a **9:00am** start.

Entry Fee will be taken on the door: **£2** per person (all proceeds donated to UTASS)

Races: **Adults: 5K - Children: 2K or 5K**

Best Dressed Competition: Hop along in fancy dress – the more Easter-y, the better!



BINGO & TAKEAWAY NIGHT'S

Join us for a fun and relaxed Bingo & Takeaway Night at Thorpe Farm Centre. These evenings are a great opportunity for owners, families, and friends to come together, enjoy good food, and have a sociable night out.

Events start from 6pm on the following dates:

- **Saturday 25th April**
- **Saturday 30th May**
- **Saturday 27th June**



CAR BOOT SALE

Our Monthly Car Boot Sale is returning
Dates for this year's Car Boot Sales:

- **Sunday 26th April**
- **Sunday 31st May**
- **Sunday 28th June**

Buyers are welcome from **9:00am**, stallholders from **8:00am**.

Entry for shoppers is £1 (charity donation),
and stallholders sell for free.



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SOFT PLAY

Soft Play Opening Hours:

March - October

09:30am - 11:30am

12:00pm-14:00pm

14:30pm- 16:30pm

• Entry Prices:

• Adult - £1

• Child (0-1yrs) - £2

• Child - (1-8 yrs) - off peak £5.50 - peak & weekends £7

Celebrate your Childs birthday in the Soft Play Barn.

Packages start from £14.95 per child.



FARM SHOP

In our Farm Shop, you'll find all your everyday essentials in one welcoming place. From fresh bread and milk to preserves, and a tempting selection of sweet and savoury treats, we've got you covered.

Looking for something quick and delicious? We also offer a range of freshly baked goods and homemade savoury "pick up and go" options, perfect for busy days or a tasty lunch on the move.

COURTYARD RESTAURANT/ CAFE

Take a moment to unwind in our Courtyard Café & Restaurant, where there's always something delicious waiting for you. Keep an eye on the **specials board** – you might just find something that tickles your taste buds!

Whether you're stopping by for a freshly prepared meal or simply fancy a relaxing drink, it's the perfect spot to sit back and enjoy the surroundings. Our **Afternoon Tea** is now available! Treat yourself to a delightful selection of sweet and savoury favourites – ideal for catching up with friends or celebrating something special. **£20 pp**



PEEL HOUSE (Gifts, Antiques & Interiors)

Take a wander through Peel House, where you'll discover a carefully curated mix of homeware, garden furniture, and one-of-a-kind interior pieces to suit every style.

Looking for your next project? Step into the Reclamation Barn—a treasure trove of characterful finds, hidden gems, and pieces you won't spot anywhere else.

NEW ARRIVALS ON THE FARM

We are delighted to share some exciting news from the farm — we have welcomed baby goats to Thorpe Farm Centre!

They are doing really well and thriving, and we're looking forward to seeing them head outdoors in the Spring. It will be lovely for families to enjoy watching them explore the fields, soak up the sunshine (which we're sure is on its way!), and make the most of the great outdoors.

