BOTTLE FEEDING ANIMALS

Many visitors have suggested that they would like to bottle feed our young animals. As high standards of animal welfare are our top priority we don't offer this activity.

We aim to let all our animals rear their young in the most natural way possible. Like all mammals, lambs and kids thrive best when fed on their mother's milk.

If any of the animals give birth to triplets or quads we may have to offer the babies some supplementary bottle fed milk as their mothers may not be able to produce enough milk to feed them all.

Very occasionally problems arise at birth which result in orphans or the mother may reject a lamb or kid, in these rare cases we will bottle feed the baby.

However, we don't agree with the practice of separating healthy young animals from their mothers so that they can be bottle fed. This causes anguish to both mother and baby and leads to an increase in ill health for the babies.

