

School Dog Risk Assessment

Significant Hazards and Associated Risks	Those who might be harmed	Residual Risk Rating	Control Measures:
Those hazards which may result in serious harm or affect several people.	Persons at risk from the significant hazards identified	(H / M / L)	Controls, including relevant sources of guidance and actions to be taken to minimise risks.

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Bites, scratches or illness caused by the dog	Staff, pupils and handler	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All dogs that visit are vaccinated, wormed, and treated for fleas • Dogs are groomed before the visit • Students will not be left alone with the dog • All staff and pupils are required to wash their hands after contact with dogs • Handler clear up dog urine and faeces promptly and dispose of this safely – pupils are told to stay away • Dog are not taken anywhere near food preparation areas 	K Anelli
Allergies	Staff/pupils and Visitors	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We seek parental permission for children to interact with dogs • Reception to advise visitors that a school dog is on site • Alternative activities are provided in a separate room for those with allergies 	K Anelli/Staff

Phobias	Staff/pupils and Visitors	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We tell parents and children about the visit in advance • Contact with dogs is optional • Notices will be displayed in school and on the website • Dog will not roam freely • Alternative activities are provided in a separate room for those with a phobia 	K Anelli/Staff
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<p>Activities and games involving the dog</p>	<p>Staff, pupils, dog and handler</p>	<p>M</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handler remain with dog at all times • Handler speak to school staff in advance and make sure the area and activity is safe • We check with the handler and set a limit for the number of children who can interact with a dog at once • Dog will be given downtime at regular intervals • Handler clean up urine and faeces • School staff remove children who misbehave or upset dogs • We set a time limit on activities as recommended by handlers, so dogs do not get tired 	<p>K Anelli/Staff</p>
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Children misbehaving	Pupils, dog and handlers	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children are told in advance what to expect and how to behave • School staff are present at all time during the visit • School staff are ready to remove children who misbehave or upset the dogs 	K Anelli/Staff
Damage caused to school materials, equipment and the school site	Dogs	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dogs remain on a lead at all times • Dogs are kept in secured rooms, with closed doors • Handlers bring suitable toys if necessary • Areas/classrooms are cleared as much as possible before dogs visit 	K Anelli

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