

Risk	Dogs in School					
What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing (existing Control Measures)?	Do you need to do anything else to manage this risk (Additional Control Measures)?	Action by whom?	Action by when?	Done
Allergies: respiratory, skin, eyes, nose, anaphylaxis	Staff, pupils and handlers.	Children chosen who already have dogs as pets.  Pupil and staff with allergies will have restricted access to suit their needs.	In a class with children who are allergic to dogs. The dogs will be in a different room and the children can visit this room.  A poster will be place on the front door informing parents and visitors when the dog is school.	HT	Ongoing	
Animal health, diseases and parasites	Children, staff and visitors	Dog will have all the necessary vaccinations before coming into school.  Regular veterinary checks as required.  Dog will be wormed and received flea/tick treatment.	Handler will check that the dog is in good health and free from fleas and ticks before coming into school.  The dog will be kept clean and well groomed.	HT	Ongoing	

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Bites & scratches	Staff, pupils and handlers	<p>Children and staff will be made aware of the procedures of meeting and handling the dog.</p> <p>Dogs will have a good temperament.</p> <p>They must be well trained</p> <p>Handler will remain with the dog at all times, therefore no unsupervised contact with pupils.</p>	<p>Trained to not jump up</p> <p>Children are taught how to approach and interact with the dog.</p> <p>Petting by invite only.</p> <p>Handler to ensure dog not over petted to avoid any incidents.</p> <p>If dog appears anxious or over-stimulated, to be removed to peaceful surroundings.</p>	HT	Ongoing	
Phobias	Staff and pupils	<p>The children will be told in advance about the dogs.</p> <p>Contact with the dogs will be optional.</p> <p>Dog will not be off the lead in school.</p>	<p>Alternative activities may be provided in a separate room for those with a phobia if required.</p>	HT	Ongoing	

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		Pupil and staff with phobias have restricted access to suit their needs				
Poor hygiene and health risks	Staff, pupils and handlers	<p>Dogs that visit are vaccinated, wormed and treated for fleas</p> <p>All staff and children are required to wash their hands after contact with dogs, this will be monitored by staff.</p>	<p>Dogs will be taken off site to toilet and handlers will safely dispose of any waste.</p> <p>Do not allow children to touch any part of their face with their hands before hands are washed.</p> <p>Dogs are not taken anywhere near food preparation areas.</p>	HT	Ongoing	
Children misbehaving	Pupils, dogs and handlers	<p>Children will be told in advance what to expect and how to behave.</p> <p>School staff will be present at all times during the visit.</p>	Staff to remove children who misbehave or upset dogs.	HT	Ongoing	

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Activities and games involving the dog	Staff, pupils, dogs and handlers	<p>Handler remains with dogs at all times.</p> <p>Dog handler to liaise with school staff in advance to ensure the area and activity are safe.</p> <p>Set a limit for the number of children who can interact with the dog at any one time.</p> <p>Small groups of children will be able to take the dog for a walk with Mrs Hodgkinson and another member of staff. This may take place at Petersfield Heath.</p>	<p>Staff to remove children who misbehave or upset the dogs.</p> <p>A time limit will be set so the dogs do not get tired.</p> <p>Permission slip signed by parents MUST be in place for each child.</p> <p>A separate Risk Assessment for the Heath will be held.</p>	HT	Ongoing	
Damage caused to school materials, equipment or school site.	Dogs	<p>Dogs to remain on a lead at all times.</p> <p>Dogs to be kept in secured rooms with closed doors.</p> <p>Classroom to be cleared as much as possible before dogs visit.</p>	Handler will bring suitable dog toys in if necessary.			

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Noise, barking	Children who unable to cope with noise	Dog is being introduced to the school life slowly so that he will be acclimatised to a noisy environment and therefore reduce the chance of it barking.  The main front office door will be kept closed.				
Injury caused by the dog	Children, staff and visitors	The school will ensure that the dog is covered under its own insurance policy which will include public liability insurance.				
Risk Assessor		Signature		Date		
Responsible Manager		Signature		Date		
<b>Date Reviewed</b>		<b>Signature</b>		<b>Role</b>		