

Risk assessment for school dog

Hazards	Who might be harmed and how?	What controls to be in place to reduce risk?	What action can be taken to further reduce risk ?
Allergic reaction to dog	Staff and students - allergic reaction	<p>Email to be sent to parents and staff so that any problems raised can be dealt with.</p> <p>Dog to be kept clean and well groomed.</p> <p>Dog bed in office, stair gate across office door to ensure no accidental contamination.</p> <p>Signs to be put up warning of dog presence and any expected procedures.</p> <p>Office to be well ventilated.</p> <p>Dog bedding and equipment washed and kept to a high standard.</p> <p>Hand washing / sanitizer located in the office.</p> <p>First aid kit should be held in the office.</p>	<p>Designated dog walker to wear high visibility tabard when walking the dog on school; property during school hours to warn of the dog's presence.</p> <p>Notices up to advise where the dog may be encountered so can be avoided if necessary.</p>
Dog excrement & urine	Staff and students - illness, slips and falls	<p>Dog will be wormed, vaccinated and kept free of fleas, ticks etc.</p> <p>Any excrement or urine will be cleaned up immediately and thoroughly and disposed of responsibly and hygienically.</p> <p>A bag containing poo bags, kitchen roll, antibacterial spray, rubber gloves etc will be carried by the member of staff accompanying the dog.</p>	<p>Fenced off area with notices displayed (dog exercise/toilet area), eco building and garden.</p> <p>Area to be cleaned regularly.</p> <p>Any excrement to be removed immediately and disposed of responsibly and hygienically.</p> <p>Dog needs to be allowed time away from students regularly.</p>

Scratches, dog bite	Staff and students - scratches and bites	<p>The dog should be chosen and trained to be sociable and good natured. There should be no unsupervised contact with the students.</p> <p>Dog bed and stair gate in the office to ensure no accidental encounters.</p> <p>Dog should be closely supervised and kept under control on a lead when out around the school.</p> <p>Students and staff should all be made aware of the procedures and etiquette on meeting and handling a dog.</p> <p>Fist aid and hand washing facilities should be close by.</p>	
Noise, barking	Students who cannot cope with noise.	<p>The dog should be sociable and good natured.</p> <p>As the dog will be introduced at a young age it will become acclimatised to a noise environment so the risk of barking should be greatly minimised.</p>	Dog should be removed from the situation that is causing it to bark.
Fire drill, evacuation of dog	Dog, locked in office	A clear evacuation exit should be available for the dog and nor left in a locked room.	Dog will be under the supervision of a designated member of staff at all times.
Claim is made against the school for the behaviour of the dog.	School is not adequately covered financially.	Head teacher/bursar ensures pet insurance is up to date and adequately covers the school for unforeseen	RPA will provide an indemnity under Third Party Liability if a dog or any other animal brought into

		costs.	<p>school for educational or therapy/wellbeing reason causes any third party property damage or injury to a third party (including pupils) if the school were held legally liable (negligent) subject to the school undertaking appropriate risk assessments. Employees are covered under the Employers Liability section if the dog causes injury to members of school staff to the extent that the school is legally liable (negligent).</p> <p>The RPA would not provide an indemnity to the individual owner of the dog for their legal liability.</p>