



Newfield Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

RE: School Dog

As you are aware 'Poppy' our school dog will be starting to visit school this week. Thank you to those that attended the workshops in July and to those that have returned the slips indicating whether you give permission for your child to be in contact with Poppy.

If you have not done so already, please complete the attached slip, so that we are clear on your wishes regarding your child's interaction with the dog. If you choose not to let your child interact with Poppy, please make sure that you have explained your wishes to your child and ask them not to approach her.

There is now a risk assessment and other information regarding Poppy on the website. In addition, please be aware that any lunch time walks will be off site with a member of staff and on Tuesdays my mother, Lynn, will be volunteering at the school. Her and Poppy will spend time with children, listening to them read.

To ensure that all children are clear on how to interact with Poppy we will be asking them to sign a doggy contract which outlines specifically what they should and shouldn't do. We will also be having assemblies to go alongside this to ensure all interactions are safe for the children and the dog.

If you have any query or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours faithfully

Ms Clifford

Headteacher: Ms Sarah L. Bolt

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