Willow, School Dog Risk Assessment

Focus: Willow's Interaction with Pupils/staff/visitors					Assessment Date:			
Reason: To ensur	e Willow interacts a	ppropriately at all times			Review Date:			
1 Identify the Hazards	2 Who might be harmed/how?	3 What are you doing already?	Risk Rating	4 Is anything further needed?	Action Required	Responsible Person	Date Completed	
• Willow biting a child or adult	• Child or adult could be hurt	• Willow has never bitten anyone or shown any aggression. When Willow is approached and handled in the correct way there is very limited danger.	Low	 Ensure that children and adults do not interact with Willow without adult supervision. Ensure that all interaction with Willow is completed in the agreed way. Children will be reminded to behave appropriately around Willow. 				
• Jumping up/scratching	Child or adult could be hurt	Willow does not jump up. When Willow is approached and handled in the correct way there is very limited danger.	Low	 Ensure that children and adults do not interact with Willow without supervision. Ensure that all interaction with Willow is completed in the agreed way. Children will be reminded to behave appropriately around Willow. 				

■ Running loose	• If Willow was to run loose, she could hurt children/adults or damage property	 Willow is with Katy or a trusted adult at all times Willow is secured by a lead when necessary 	Low	Monitor the lead used to contain Willow is appropriate and effective		
 Destruction and damage of materials/property 	Willow may chew/destruct some school materials/resources	Willow will be appropriately supervised at all times and school resources will be removed from her reach.	Low	Monitor that Willow does not have access to any school items.		
• Children/Visitors to school have a phobia of dogs	Distress and anxiety could be caused due to close proximity to Willow	 Advise visitors of Willow's presence on their arrival and remove her if necessary Willow to be supervised at all times and be sensitive to children/adult's reactions. Parents to be offered a programme of support for their child to overcome any fears. 	Low	Monitor Willow's reactions with visitors.		

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• Incorrect or inconsistent interaction with Willow	• If a child/adult interacts with Willow incorrectly or inconsistently, this could have a negative impact on future interactions	 Agreed guidelines must be followed at all times when interacting with Willow There cannot be any interaction with Willow without authorisation 	Medium	• If there are any inconsistencies in approach the adult/child interaction will stop.			
 Use of rewards/treats and praise 	 Children/adults could be harmed if Willow is over excited when receiving a reward or treat. Children must wash their hands after handling dog treats 	 Hand washing facilities are available to all children and adults Treats will only be given to Willow with permission from Katy 	Low	 Reminders to the children to wash their hands after handling any treats Treats to be locked away to ensure they can only be given with permission 			

Area: Hygiene/Health	Assessment Date:
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Reason: To ensure that pupils, staff and Willow do not have an increased risk of illness as a result of Willow being in school					Review Date:			
1 Identify the Hazards	2 Who might be harmed/how?	3 What are you doing already?	Risk Rating	4 Is anything further needed?	Action Required	Responsible Person	Date Completed	
• Worms/Fleas	• If Willow is not treated for worms there is a danger that infection/contamination can be transferred to people	• Willow will be treated with correct medication for worms and fleas from the vets. Treatment will always be up to date and never overdue.	Low	 Monitor that Vets visits happen promptly and take actions as suggested by the Vet 				
■ Faeces	If a child/adult comes into contact with dog faeces then germs could be transferred	 Willow will only be walked under supervision No child will be asked to pick up any dog faeces – this will always be undertaken by an adult Willow will use designated area for toileting 	Low	• Willow will be toileted by Katy at certain times				
■ Allergies	If a child is allergic to dogs, they could become unwell	Parents will be responsible for completing child medical forms and informing school of any allergies. If a child has an allergy, Willow will not carry out tasks near that child	Medium	Allergic children to be identified				
Cleaning hands after	If hands are not washed then	All adults and children will wash their hands	Low	All adults and children to be reminded to				

interacting with	children/adults could	after interaction with	wash their hands after		
Willow	become unwell	Willow	contact		

Area: Activiti	es involving Willow	Assessment Date:					
Reason: To er	nsure Ruby has a me	aningful and safe impact on	the school		Review Date:		
1 Identify the Hazards	2 Who might be harmed/how?	3 What are you doing already?	Risk Rating	4 Is anything further needed?	Action Required	Responsible Person	Date Completed
• Walking Willow on and off site	• Children might be hurt if they do not interact correctly when Willow is on a walk	 No children will take the lead when Willow goes for a walk unless authorised to do so by Katy No children will be allowed to interact with Willow when she is on a walk unless permission is given 	Medium	Children to be reminded of appropriate behaviour on dog walks			
• Visits to classrooms	If Willow visits a class and the children do not follow procedures then she may become over excited	 Willow will only make classroom visits with a designated member of staff Children in classrooms will follow the agreed procedure 	Medium	Careful consideration will be given as to when Willow can visit classrooms to ensure no distraction or disruption to learning occurs			
Being Fed	If a child tries to interact when Willow is eating, Willow may become upset	• Children will not be allowed to interact with Willow when she is eating.	Low	■ Reminders to the children not to interact with Willow when she is eating.			

		 All feeding will be supervised and take place in a quiet area 				
• School events	• If Willow is petted by large numbers of people, she may be overcrowded and hurt	Willow will only attend school events if they are appropriate and she will be under the control of Katy	Low	 Monitor Willow's reaction to large crowds and school events. If she becomes stressed then remove her from the event on that day. 		
• Other dogs (on and off site)	• If a dog encounters Willow, the dog may become boisterous	 Only assistance dogs will be allowed in the school building If another dog is encountered when off site then the supervising adult must hold the lead 	Low	Monitor Willow's reactions when out walking		
■ Fire Alarm	• Willow may be left in the building in the event of a fire	 Willow has taken part in many practise fire alarms and calmly recognises the fire alarm sound. She will exit the building with Katy or another adult on her lead Staff responsible for Willow at the time of the alarm to ensure she is taken out of the building. 	Low	 Willow to be signed in as a member of staff so Fire Wardens are aware she is on site. If Willow is off her lead in school, her lead will be with her to ensure she can exit safely at very short notice 		
• Forest School in the woodland	 Willow may be hurt when activities/games are taking place eg 	Willow enters the woodland on her lead and has a designated area, under	Low	 Willow will remain securely at her post while activities and games are taking place. Children/staff 		

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		interacting with her		