

WELCOME



RUBY



OUR NEW

The Dog Mentor



Hi, my name is Ruby and I am your new dog mentor. I am here to help you every day in lots of different ways. Most importantly I'm here to be your friend. There are lots of ways that you can help me to be happy and safe in school...



The Dog Mentor 

WORKING WITH THE DOG MENTOR

- There should be no more than two people around me at a time
 - Always ask before stroking me
- If given permission to stroke the me, you must lower yourself to the ground
 - Approach me using your Dog Mentor breathing
- Stroke me from the chest or shoulder down to the tail
 - Never reach over the top of my head
 - You should not ruffle my fur

CLASSROOM VISITS

- I will visit your classroom but you need to get ready for my visit – Can you get your classroom Ruby ready?
 - We will learn how to be calm and relaxed – this is called being 'regulated'.
 - Everyone will learn 'Ruby breathing'.
 - Your class can win a Tidy Classroom Award.
- I am looking forward to seeing you all working hard.

GROUP WORK

- Some children will work in a group with me.

- You can also join a lunchtime club - 'Waggy Tails Club' to learn how to look after me and be my friend.

- I will see you around school but don't shout my name or run towards me as I may get scared.

- I will see you around school, please show me your wonderful walking.

- I have some special stickers to give you for good behaviour.

PLAYGROUND

- When approaching me, try not to shout or be over-excited as I may get scared
 - No running towards me
 - Never stroke me when standing behind me
- If you are playing with a ball try to keep the ball from travelling in my direction
- I don't like it when people crowd around me - always ask permission to approach

MOVING AROUND THE SCHOOL

- Always walk around the school sensibly
- Don't reach out to touch me when I'm passing
 - Use indoor voices
- Try to keep my name inside your head rather than shout it out

I can't wait to work with you
all I am really looking
forward to being a part of
your school!

