

Venue/Activity/Group specific Risk Assessment (VAGRA)

SCHOOL/ESTABLISHMENT: Dorridge Primary School 2016

Specific nature of activity and environment/venue: Risk assessment to cover a dog in the school setting within the Nursery, Early Years and the wider school.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES: These will be specific to the animal and activity, see planning!

1. Significant Hazards and identification of Risks <i>(Hazards which may result in serious harm or affect several people)</i>	2. Those who might be harmed <i>(Number and age of students. Numbers of participating staff. Any other risks)</i>	3. Control Measures specific (control measures not included in the generic risk assessment)	4. Residual Risk Rating (Must be "low" otherwise reassess controls.)
Biting of cables/resources and people.	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	Alfie to be supervised (on a lead/enclosed etc) at all times. Children to be regularly reminded about the relevant rules towards dogs and what they should do to keep safe. In the unlikely event that the dog does bite a child/adult then first aid will be administered by trained staff and the parents/carers will be notified of any incident and advised of next steps, depending on severity (eg being taken to the local GP). If needed an emergency phone call to the emergency services (paramedic) for treatment will take place.	Low
Allergic reactions: Medical Needs of Specific children.	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	Parents and carers notified that Alfie will be on site. A central record will be kept of children / staff who have allergies to dogs. Staff members to carry medical equipment (inhalers) needed for individuals if contact allowed. First aiders made aware of specific children and their medical needs.	Low
Contamination from animal waste	Children and Staff and other adults in	Any waste to be cleared up and disposed of immediately with anti-	Low

	the setting	bacterial cleaners by adults and then adults to wash hands afterwards.	
Dog / animal mess	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	Children warned of dangers regarding touching dog mess with hands - to eyes, mouth etc. see above rules and routines regarding animals	Low
Escaping animals	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	The dog will always be kept in a supervised state and they would only be transferred to different locations by a member of staff. Should the animal inadvertently escape, the children will be moved /supervised to safety whilst the Alfie is recovered.	Low
Injury/risk to the animal	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	Alfie's welfare needs will be constantly met under fulltime supervision by staff members, in the event of injury veterinary treatment/advice will be sought and paid for by Mrs Hales(Willow's practice).	Low
Fire alarm	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	In the unlikely event of a fire alarm, then a designated staff member is to collect Alfie and move him to safety as per the normal evacuation procedures in the school building. Alfie to be supervised/restrained at all times.	Low
Hygiene - germs/hand-washing	Children and Staff and other adults in the setting	All the children are to immediately wash their hands after handling/touching animals. Staff to discuss with children at all relevant times about the safety regarding why we need to wash our hands.	Low