

### Risk Assessment for Children's Services (Schools).

<b>Assessment Title:</b> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold; margin-left: 200px;">School Dog on school premises</span>	<b>Ref. Number</b>
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<b>School Name:</b> <span style="font-weight: bold; margin-left: 20px;">Hawsworth Wood Primary School</span>	<b>School Address:</b> <span style="font-weight: bold; margin-left: 20px;">Cragside Walk, Leeds, LS5 3QE</span>
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<b>Date Assessment Undertaken:</b> May 2025	<b>Name of Assessor (print):</b> Eleanore Pickard	<b>Assessor Signature:</b>	<b>Assessment Review Date:</b> May 2026
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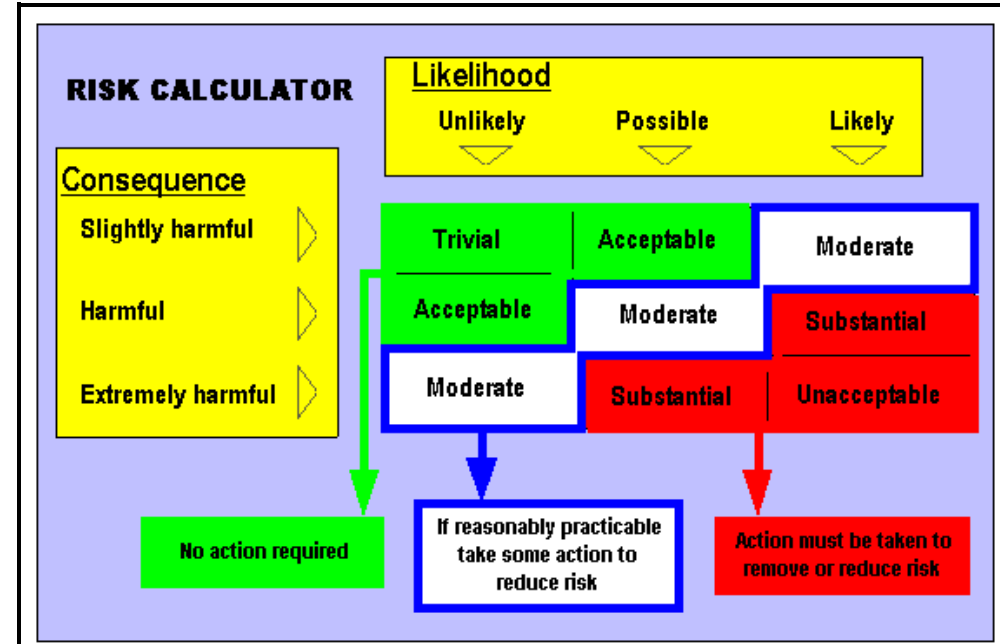
<b>Name of Head Teacher / Centre Manager (print):</b> Eleanore Pickard	<b>Head Teacher / Centre Manager Signature:</b>	<b>Name of Chair of Governors (print):</b> Alan Crump	<b>Chair of Governors Signature:</b>
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<b>Main Legislation and/or Information Source:</b>	- Health & Safety at Work Act 1974. - Management of H & S at Work Regulations 1999.
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**Guidance:**

This is a **sample** risk assessment and will remain so unless the following criteria are satisfied:

1. The boxes highlighted in grey above must be completed with the required details.
2. LCC no longer requires a Chair of Governors signature. Your own Educational Visits Policy might – therefore check.
3. The Ref number can be the exeant visit number if this is for Educational Visits.
4. The signature boxes may be typed when uploading to exeant.
5. The control measures identified below must be either complied with **or** altered to reflect the establishment's control measures.
6. The initials of the person(s) responsible for implementing the control measures **MUST** be entered into 'Control Measures' column.
7. Once criteria 1-5 have been satisfied, you should remove the 'Sample' watermark. **FORMAT-BACKGROUND-PRINTED WATERMARK** and choose the option that says 'No Watermark' or 'Page Layout' – Watermark' – 'Remove Watermark'.



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Hazard Observed	Who may be harmed?	Risk rating before controls Consequence x Likelihood =	Control Measures	Risk rating after controls Consequence x Likelihood =	Control measures by: Initial
Animal health, diseases and parasites	Pupils/Staff / Visitors	Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dog to have necessary vaccinations before coming into school</li> <li>• Dog to have regular veterinary checks</li> <li>• Dog to be bathed weekly</li> <li>• Dog to live with family and owner when not in school</li> <li>• Dog will not be allowed to come into contact with wild rodents due to possibility of disease transmission</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP
Dog excrement & urine - illness and falls/slips	Pupils/Staff / Visitors	Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dog will be wormed.</li> <li>• Dog will be vaccinated and kept free of fleas, ticks.</li> <li>• Any excrement or urine will be cleaned up immediately and thoroughly disposed of responsibly and hygienically by the owner or adult with responsibility at the time of the incident</li> <li>• Hand washing facilities close to where the dog will be.</li> <li>• A bag containing poo bags/plastic bags, kitchen roll and rubber gloves will be carried by the member of the staff walking the dog.</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP  And all staff Involved including but not limited to: Rosen staff, SR, VK
Hygiene/Infection	Pupils/Staff /Visitors	Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adequate provision for hand washing</li> <li>• Do not allow children to touch any part of their face with their hands before hands are washed</li> <li>• Students should be seen washing their hands</li> <li>• All wounds on exposed skin are suitably covered</li> <li>• Soiled bedding/puppy pads disposed of in sealed plastic bags with normal refuse</li> <li>• Food stuff stored carefully to prevent contamination and infestation</li> <li>• Dog to be bathed weekly</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP  And all staff Involved including but not limited to: Rosen staff, SR, VK
Allergic reaction to dog	Pupils/Staff /Visitors	Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information is on the website and a letters sent home letting parents know there will be a dog on site so if they have a child who is allergic to let the school know.</li> <li>• A sign is also placed at the school office informing parents and visitors that we have a school dog on site.</li> <li>• If the child has an allergy we will ensure that they do not come into close contact with the dog.</li> <li>• Dog kept clean and groomed.</li> <li>• Dog is kept in the office areas mainly where flow of children is minimal and controlled. Alternative locations would be: the school quad</li> <li>• Office kept well ventilated.</li> <li>• Dog bed &amp; blankets to be kept clean &amp; to a high standard.</li> <li>• First Aid kit kept in office.</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP

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Bites, cuts and scratches	Pupils/Staff /Visitors	Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The dog has been brought up with children and is handled regularly and socialised.</li> <li>The dog has had puppy and socialisation training</li> <li>Staff/children known to have allergies/ phobias have restricted access to suit their needs.</li> <li>There will be no unsupervised contact with pupils.</li> <li>Dog closely supervised and kept under control in specified areas of school.</li> <li>Pupils and staff will be made aware of the procedures of meeting and handling the dog.</li> <li>First Aid kit in office which is manned throughout the day</li> <li>Supervising adult to ensure dog not over petted to avoid any incidents.</li> <li>If dog appears anxious or over-stimulated, to be removed to peaceful surroundings</li> <li>Pupils to receive regular assemblies about dog 'Dos and Don'ts' Eg from Dog's Trust</li> <li>All staff who handle Cookie, to receive a dog training session (Fairy Dogmother)</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP
Noise, barking	Pupils who can't cope with noise – e.g. autistic children	Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The dog has been introduced to the school before starting as a therapy dog so will be acclimatised to a noisy environment and therefore reduce the chance of it barking.</li> <li>The dog has been brought up with children and is handled regularly and socialised.</li> <li>The dog's triggers for barking (e.g. overtiredness, being left alone) are known and shared with all staff who handle him</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP
Fire drill & evacuation	Dog – locked in building	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The dog will not be unsupervised at any time: it will be located in one of the 3 offices with a sign placed on the door</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP
A third party could sue the school for injury caused by the dog		Substantial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school will ensure that the animal is covered under their insurance policy and take out comprehensive additional insurance including party liability insurance.</li> </ul>	Acceptable	EP / KN