



**Bailey Street Alternative Provision Academy Trust**

**General Risk Assessment Record Form**

1. **Section/Service/Team** Dog Walking with Pupils
2. **Assessor(s)** Vicki Pinkney
3. **Description of Task/Activity/Area/Premises etc.** ...Dog Walking outside of school premises.

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<p>Hygiene around dogs – coming into contact with dog faeces, dog sick, dog fleas/ticks/worms,</p> <p>Stroking/contact with the dog and then touching mouth or food.</p>	<p>Pupils/Staff could have their hygiene compromised.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dog walked and toileted in designated outside areas, and then faeces removed with poop bags. Owner of the dog to remove the faeces with a poop bag, not pupil.</li> <li>• Biological hazard procedures followed to clear up dog sick, pupil to be moved away from sick.</li> <li>• Dog to be flead and wormed regularly. Any ticks observed during or after walks to be removed safely by the dogs owner, not by pupils.</li> <li>• Children are appropriately educated on how to manage canine hygiene. Staff remind pupils to wash hands after handling dogs. Hand sanitiser available both with the member of staff, and back at school.</li> </ul>	<p>L</p> <p>L</p> <p>L</p> <p>L</p>			



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The public	Pupil/staff/dogs – public could be inappropriate towards pupil/staff/dog, putting them at risk of harm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pupils to be under staff supervision at all times.</li> <li>• Any inappropriate behaviour from members of the public to be reported to school.</li> <li>• The dog is to be on a training lead as well as being walked by the pupil, so that the pupil is not solely responsible for the dog’s welfare.</li> </ul>	L  L  L	If inappropriate behaviour from public is observed, staff to update the RA accordingly.  Ensure appropriate training leads are available in addition to dogs usual lead when walking with a pupil.	Ongoing  Ongoing	L  L

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Pupil becoming distressed/ angry/upset	Pupil/public/dog may become distressed or 'get involved', if a pupil becomes angry.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read pupil's risk assessment before commencing dog walk.</li> <li>• Ensure that the pupil is out with a member of staff who they have a positive rapport with in case of distress.</li> <li>• Monitor dog's temperament to ensure that they will not become agitated or aggressive upon seeing a pupil in distress.</li> </ul>	L  L  L	Update pupil's risk assessment in line with any incidents.	Ongoing	L

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Dog getting anxious/frightened and becoming aggressive.	Pupils/staff/dog/the public. Dog may become injured, pupils may become distressed, public may become angered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The dog is never left unsupervised with the public/a pupil. The dogs owner is to remain with them at all times.</li> <li>• Appropriate training is undertaken for each dog, to ensure they are safe to take out into the community on a dog walk with a pupil.</li> <li>• The dogs owner is aware of their own dogs individual needs and anxieties, and is confident they are able to calm them and diffuse a situation if necessary.</li> </ul>	L   L   L	Training to be reviewed regularly.       Dogs not to be taken on walks if they are seemingly in an anxious/reactive mood.	Ongoing       Ongoing	L       L









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Dog bite/scratch.	Pupils/staff/members of the public may be at risk of injury.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dog to be under constant supervision by its owner.</li> <li>• Dogs nails are kept short and clipped down.</li> <li>• Pupils informed on how not to over excite a dog.</li> <li>• Dog to have undertaken obedience training.</li> <li>• Dog to have constant temperament review, to ensure they are appropriate to be taken out for walks with pupils.</li> </ul>	L  L  L  L  L	Pupils to be instructed on how dogs can become over excited.  Pupils instructed on how to read a dog’s body language, and when to move away from a dog.	Ongoing  Ongoing	L  L
Aggression towards other dogs	Dog/pupils/sstaff/members of the public, may be at risk of injury from one or both of the dogs involved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dog to be kept on a lead around other dogs.</li> <li>• Staff to ensure pupils are a safe distance away from a situation should another dog become aggressive.</li> <li>• Walk to immediately be terminated should a situation involving dog aggression unfold, for the safety of all involved.</li> </ul>	M			

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Covid-19	Pupils/staff/public contracting or transmitting Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practicing good hand hygiene – frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitiser.</li> <li>• Maintaining social distancing.</li> <li>• If a pupil holds the lead of the dog, it is to be appropriately sanitised afterwards.</li> <li>• Keeping a safe distance from the public.</li> <li>• Walking in open areas with fresh air.</li> </ul>	L  L L  L L			
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4. Tick (✓) if any of the identified hazards relate to any of the following specific themes:

Hazardous Substance	Manual Handling	Display Screen Equip	Fire	Work Equip / Machinery	Stress	Individual Person such as Young Person New/ Expectant Mother or Service User

If any are ticked a specific risk assessment form must be completed separately. For example a COSHH form must be completed if a hazardous substance is used.

### 5. Risk Rating

The risk rating is used to prioritise the action required. Deal with those hazards that are high risk first.

<b>Risk Rating</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action Priority</b>
High	Where harm is certain or near certain to occur and/or major injury or ill-health could result	Urgent action
Medium	Where harm is possible to occur and/or serious injury could result e.g. off work for over 3 days	Medium priority
Low	Where harm is unlikely or seldom to occur and/or minor injury could result e.g. cuts, bruises, strain	No action or low priority action

### 6. Assessment

**Signature of Assessor(s): V Pinkney**

**Print Name: Vicki Pinkney Health and Safety Officer**

**Signature of Line Manager:**

**Print Name:**

**Date Assessed: 05/01/22**

**Review Date: Jan 2023**

### 7. Communication and Review

This risk assessment should be communicated to all employees and relevant persons who may come into contact with the hazards being assessed. The assessment must be reviewed annually or following a significant change, accident or violent incident.