**Pets and Animals Policy**

This policy sets out the procedures to be followed for every pupil attending alternative provision at Hereford Learning Hub.

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| **Pets at HLH**Barney: Chocolate Labrador, emotional support dog, was a school dogTeddy: Golden LabradorJenny: Patterdale/Jack Russell cross | * Learning from animals
* Emotional support
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| **Safety**Included in risk assessment | * Treat animals with respect
* Closely supervised
* Washing hands after petting
* Pet food stored away safely
* Pet bowls etc stored away safely
* Animal waste removed immediately
* Allergies will be noted, and dogs removed
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| **Meeting animals away from setting**Included in educational visits risk policy | * Respect all living creatures
* Wash hands after touching
* No feeding of animals unless as an educational visit
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| **Keeping pupils safe around animals that we meet away from setting** | * Not all animals are friendly
* Stay calm and quiet
* Stand still, not turn away
* Make a list fist next to their bodies
* Ask permission from owner
* Ask owner to recall animal
* Protect pupils by distracting animal
* Phone 999
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| Review dates | * The paperwork must be reviewed after a six-week period
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