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Arbory School

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"A caring community of creative, confident learners."
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17.06.2020

Dear Parents

We are now in the fortunate position to be training our own school dog.

This is Sizzles and he belongs to me. He is a Wire-haired Dachshund and has been bred by a specialist breeder in Staffordshire. Wire-haired Dachshunds are not hypoallergenic, although they do not moult or shed hair as much as some other dogs.

Sizzles will be based in the headteacher's office and will be slowly integrated into school life over the next two terms. Most weeks he will be in school Tuesday to Thursday.

All children in school may come across Sizzles. He is still young and is teething. His training will be over time and so Sizzles will not be ready to be fully involved in school life until after the October half term. All children will be taught how to interact with him and all interaction will be under appropriate adult supervision.

Sizzles has completed his full vaccination programme but will have limited access to people and places in the first few weeks until he is more settled in school. I would like to invite you to come and meet him once he has settled in and will send more information at a later date.

If you have any concerns about Sizzles please get in touch with your child's teacher or through the school office. The school dog policy is available for you to read on our website and attached with this letter.

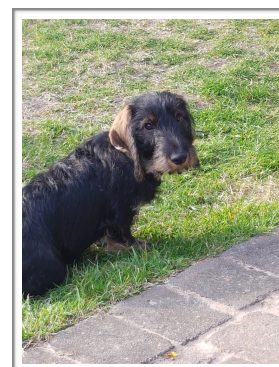
In order to ensure that we are aware of any families with concerns about contact with the school dog, I am asking you to please sign the form below if you are **unwilling** for your child to have contact with Sizzles. He may, at some point, be in your child's classroom, so please explain your wishes to your child and ask them not to approach the dog if you do not want any contact.

Yours sincerely

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Sizzles - Arbory School - No Permission - June 2020

Child's name _____ Class _____

I am unwilling for my child to have contact with Sizzles, the school dog. I will explain my wishes to my child and ask them not to approach the dog.

Signed _____ Date _____