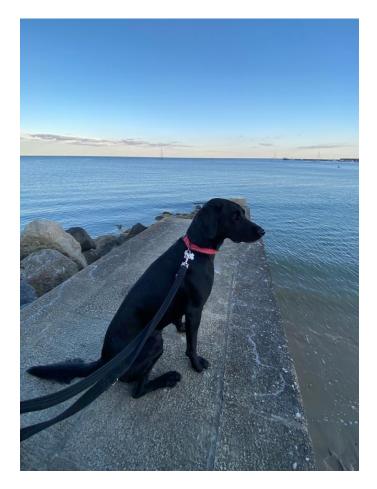
#### Meet Chrissie, our school dog









### Who is Chrissie?

- She is a female dog
- Lohrissie is a black Labrador
- Her birthday is 3rd September 2020 (can you work out how old she is?)





- She lives with Gabrielle, her daughter Holly and another black Labrador, Jude
- Gabrielle's son Dominic also spends time with Chrissie

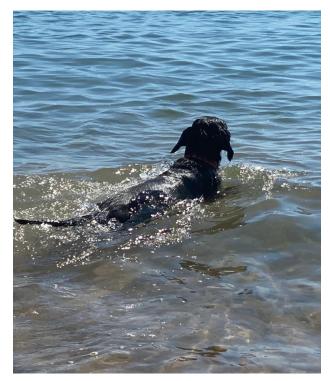


### Why is Chrissie called Chrissie?



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Chrissie was named after an amazing Headteacher– Christine Paskin, who was head at Beavers Infant School for 27 years. She loved dogs and when she died the family raised money to buy Chrissie in Mrs Paskin's memory



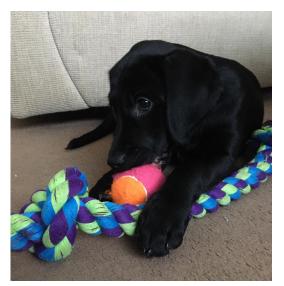


## What does Chrissie like to do?

- Going for long walks
  - Playing in water / swimming
- Playing catch
  - Sleeping

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- Cuddles on the sofa
  - Eating, eating & more eating
  - Working with Miss Jan and small groups of children







### What should you do when Chrissie is in school?

- Ask before you stroke her
- Let her come to you
- Stay calm when you are near her
- Wash hands after you have touched her
- Let an adult know if you are worried around her









### When working with Chrissie you should:

- Be Chrissie ready—Make sure the floor is clear, sit with feet on the floor and hands on the table, take a Chrissie breath; deep breath in and exhale, nice quiet voices—you are now Chrissie ready!
- - Only touch Chrissie when told to.



- Treat Chrissie with respect.
- Stroke her on her body gently.







# What should you NOT do when Chrissie is in school?

- Don't ... Get over excited around her
- Don't ... Shout her name when you see her
- Don't ...Scream and shout around her
- Don't ... Crowd round herDon't ... Run away from h

- Don't ... Run away from her (she will think you're playing and run after you)
- Don't ... Give her food





# Why is Chrissie in school?

To work with children to provide a positive impact & help our children with learning, improving & developing: -



Confidence & self-esteem



- Communication Skills
- Self control & confidence
- Discipline & reliance
- Empathy & relationships
- Focus & concentration



Stress coping strategies





### When Chrissie is in the classroom you should NOT:



Touch Chrissie's face

Poke or be rough with Chrissie



Feed her



Scream if she barks

### Calling her name

Most of you have already seen Chrissie and know her name. When you see her around school please do not call her name. This will confuse her and she will not know where to look or go.





#### The Dog Mentor Affiliated School

If you have any questions for Chrissie or about Chrissie please ask Gabrielle who will be happy to answer your questions.





Questions

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