



Flockton C of E (C) First School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are thrilled to announce an exciting new initiative at Flockton C of E (C) First School. We will be introducing a therapy dog, Elvis, to our school community. This initiative aims to support students' emotional and mental well-being, enhance the school environment, and provide comfort to those in need.

About Elvis the Therapy Dog:

- **Purpose:** Elvis will be visiting our school during school hours to participate in reading sessions and activities with students. We believe this addition will have a positive impact on student engagement and overall happiness.
- **Benefits:** Research shows that therapy dogs can help reduce stress and anxiety, improve social skills, and increase motivation and engagement in learning.

Next Steps:

Visits: Elvis will visit the school prior to becoming a regular presence, allowing him to become accustomed to the sights and smells. Please let the school office know if children have a fear of dogs or any allergies, so we can make necessary accommodations, on the consent letter below.

We are confident that Elvis will become a beloved member of our school community and greatly enhance the well-being of our students. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss E. Taylor
Headteacher
Flockton C of E (C) First School

Therapy Dog Consent Form

I, the undersigned, consent to my child, in _____ class, participating in activities with Elvis the therapy dog at Flockton C of E (C) First School.

- **Child's Name:** _____
- **Parent/Carer's Name:** _____
- **Signature:** _____
- **Date:** _____

- ☐ My child has no known allergies to dogs.
- ☐ My child has allergies to dogs and **will not** participate in activities with the therapy dog.
- ☐ My child has a fear of dogs and therefore **will not** participate in activities with the therapy dog.

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