



BANWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/carers,

Meet Theeb – The Therapy Dog

During Term 1, we had the very kind offer of welcoming a new member to our Banwell family – Theeb the therapy dog and we have been considering and discussing the benefits of introducing a therapy dog into our Banwell family to enhance and extend the children's opportunities for learning- both academically and socially.

I am delighted to share that on Friday, we will have Theeb coming to visit us for the first time. Theeb is a trained therapy dog. He has experience working locally with groups of adults and children especially for children and families with disabilities.



Of course, bringing any animal into our Banwell family is not something to be approached lightly, both for sake of children and staff in school. We have discussed the practicalities, including a risk assessment. Children will never be left alone with Theeb and they will be taught how to be around Theeb before he is in the classroom environment.

Over the next term, he will be working with small groups or individual children. In order to help us with our planning and preparation, it would be helpful to know whether your child is allergic to dog hair or has a particular fear concerning dogs. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are happy for your child to eventually interact with Theeb.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Mrs Roxanne Simpson

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