



## West Byfleet Junior School

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# PETS AS THERAPY

West Byfleet Junior School is delighted to inform you that we continue to be registered for the Pets as Therapy READ 2 DOGS programme, which is designed to give pupils opportunities to increase their confidence of, and enjoyment in reading. We have space for a small number of pupils to participate. If you would like your son/daughter to be considered to take part in the programme, please complete the form below and return to the school office by **Monday 17 September**

Your child will have a weekly session of 10/15 minutes, reading to a Pets as Therapy registered Dog, under the close supervision of the PAT Dog's owner and a member of the school staff. These dogs are specially registered dogs who normally visit in hospitals, hospices, care homes etc. They will remain on the lead and under control at all times. A member of school staff will lead the sessions and will be present throughout.

READ 2 DOGS gives children an opportunity to practise and enjoy reading, away from their peers, to an audience that will enjoy the experience as much as your child does. This will be a special time for your son/daughter as they read their chosen book to the PAT Dog, as well as having a chance to get to know the dog as the week's progress. At the end of the course a special certificate will be awarded to all children taking part.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Lesley Lawrence  
Headteacher

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**Pets as Therapy READ2DOGS programme permission form.**  
**Please return to the school office by Monday 17 September**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**I give permission for my child to participate in the Pets as Therapy READ2DOGS programme.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_