

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are pleased to announce that we will be introducing our own Therapy dog who will be joining The Dog Mentor Programme. The Dog Mentor programme has built upon the benefits of the human-animal bond by providing children positive experiences with dogs that can help them educationally, developmentally, emotionally and socially.

Over the last 10 years The Dog Mentor programme has been proven to have a positive impact on children in all areas including self-esteem, behaviour, peer relationships and better engagement skills. These improvements then result in improved academic achievement.

Miss Buckley, our Inclusion Manager, will be bringing her dog Milo into school from Monday 9th March 2026. We envisage that The Dog Mentor Programme will bring a positive influence into the school environment as a whole and look forward to the positive impact Milo will have on our children. Full training will be given to ensure that the welfare of everyone involved is maintained as a top priority.

Please feel free to visit The Dog Mentor's website and Facebook page for more details and to see some of the schools that have introduced their dogs into school:

www.thedogmentor.co.uk
www.facebook.com/thedogmentor

I hope that you share our excitement, please feel free to contact Miss Buckley with any questions you may have via email buckleys@ormistonsandwell.org.uk

Yours Sincerely,



Mr P McKinniss