## Curriculum Links

Science

## Living Things

Strand Unit

Plant \& Animal Life
Developing cognitive abilities through language
I. Growing \& Changing; Making Decisions
2. Developing Citizenship

## I. Exploring Moral Development Cultivating Spiritual Growth

2. Activating Equality \& Justice through positive Action

Content objectives:

- Children have a clear understanding of Promise 4; Food and Water.
- Children will be able to recognise the importance of a healthy diet for their pet.


## Resources:

- Report Template for pupils (see below)
- 5 Promises and Poems
- Dogs Trust SPHE Booklet


## Differentiation:

- Children pictorially/orally complete report, changing focus from a written Literacy lesson to a Speaking and Listening lesson.
- Children ask questions of the peers after each Oral Report.


## Learning objectives:

- Children understand that animals have a specific diet unrelated to human food.
- Children understand that healthy food for humans may be harmful to animals.
- Children understand the dietary needs of animals can differ based on the animal.
- Children will relate this back to Promise 4; Food and Water.


## Assessment:

- Teacher questions/children's questions
- Written Task


## Learning activities:

## Introduction

Begin the lesson by reminding the children about the 5 Promises.

Discuss human diet. What do we eat and why? Is it healthy? Is it possible to have a mix of healthy food and treats? (Use Food Pyramid for this if desired).

## Development

- Lead a discussion on diet. Class creates a Food Diary based on what they eat on a normal day.
- Ask class to write a list of foods their pet would eat on a normal day. If the child does not have a pet, they can list the food they imagine a family pet would eat throughout the day.
- Ask children to match up the foods that appeared on both lists.
- Divide class into two groups. Group A writes a list based on what their pet WANTS to eat. Group B writes a list based on what foods their pet NEEDS to eat.
- Lead a discussion based on the poem for Promise 4. Did anything in the poem surprise them? (Animals should not be given human food)
- Distribute the list of Dog Cards with brief description of each dog, size, weight, exercise needs etc. Discuss whether or not each dog requires the same amount of food? Why? Why not?
- Remind the class about the framework of a report. They then write a report on their chosen animal.
- The framework is as follows;
I. Definition; What type of animal are they reporting on?

2. Description; What do they look like?
3. Where do they live? What do they eat? Are there any additional requirements?
4. Conclusion; What type of family would be most suited to this animal? Why?
5. Illustration
6. Report framework in resource pack.

- After this activity, the children read out their work.


## Conclusion

- Class regroups and discusses today's Promise.
- What guidelines should be given to pet owners in relation to their pet's diet? Pay particular attention to food type and food quantity.



## Types of Dogs：

Type of Dog：Afghan Hound


Size：Large
Max．Weight： 27 kg
Max．Height： 74 cm
Hair Length：Long
Colour：Cream，black or black and brown
Care：Daily brushing，regular baths
Temperament：Proud，stubborn，loyal，loving
Exercise：Regular long walks
Possible Problems：Can be hard to train，coat needs a lot of care

## Type of Dog：Airedale Terrier



Size：Large
Max．Weight：23kg
Max．Height： 61 cm
Hair Length：Short
Colour：Light brown with black markings
Care：Regular brushing and trimming
Temperament：Intelligent，brave，confident，friendly
Exercise：Regular long walks
Possible Problems：Can be cross with other dogs

Type of Dog：Basset Hound


Size：Medium
Max．Weight：27kg
Max．Height： 38 cm
Hair Length：Short
Colour：Black，white，brown
Care：Occasional brushing
Temperament：Loyal，gentle，loving，friendly
Exercise：Regular medium walks
Possible Problems：Puts on weight easily if not walked，may wander off if following a scent

Type of Dog：Border Collie


Size：Medium
Max．Weight： 23 kg
Max．Height： 53 cm
Hair Length：Medium
Colour：Black，white or brown
Care：Regular brushing
Temperament：Intelligent，alert，active，obedient
Exercise：Regular long walks
Possible Problems：Can get bored easily，very energetic


## Types of Dogs:

Type of Dog: Border Terrier


Size: Small
Max. Weight: 7kg
Max. Height: 28 cm
Colour: Grey or light
brown
Hair Length: Short
Care: Regular brushing

Temperament: Fun, loving, friendly
Exercise: Regular medium walks
Possible Problems: Likes to chase things, stubborn

Type of Dog: Cavalier King Charles Spaniel


Size: Small
Max. Weight: 8kg
Max. Height: 33 cm
Colour: Brown or black
with white or brown
markings
Hair Length: Medium
Care: Regular Brushing
Temperament: Obedient, friendly, gentle
Exercise: Regular medium walks
Possible Problems: May get fat easily if overfed

Type of Dog: Boxer


Size: Large
Max. Weight: 32 kg
Max. Height: 63 cm
Colour: White or brown / white or black markings
Hair Length: Short
Care: Occasional brushing

Temperament: Playful, loyal, affectionate
Exercise: Regular long walks
Possible Problems: Can need a lot of training, very lively


Type of Dog: Cocker Spaniel


Size: Medium
Max. Weight: 15 kg
Max. Height: 41 cm
Colour: Black, light
brown and white
Hair Length: Medium
Care: Regular brushing, regular baths

Temperament: Trustworthy, happy, adaptable
Exercise: Regular long walks
Possible Problems: Ears need a lot of attention, can have problems

## Types of Dogs:

$5^{\text {th }} / 6^{\text {th }}$ Class

Type of Dog: Jack Russell Terrier


Size: Small
Max. Weight: 6 kg
Max. Height: 35 cm
Colour: White with
patches of black and/or brown

Hair Length: Short
Care: Occasional brushing
Temperament: Nosey, active, loving, lively
Exercise: Regular medium walks
Possible Problems: Yappy

Type of Dog: Yorkshire Terrier


Size: Small
Max. Weight: 3 kg
Max. Height: 20cm
Colour: Light brown and black

Hair Length: Long
Care: Daily brushing, Regular baths and trimming
Temperament: Alert, intelligent, lively
Exercise: Regular short walks, garden exercise
Possible Problems: Can be shy and may bark a lot

Type of Dog: St. Bernard


Size: Extra Large
Max. Weight: 95 cm
Max. Height: 80cm
Colour: Brown and
white
Hair Length: Medium
Care: Daily brushing

Temperament: Friendly, brave, intelligent
Exercise: Regular medium walks
Possible Problems: Likes a lot of attention, expensive to feed

