

PIP and PAWS

PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP



A project by Camden Council and its Animal Advisory Committee



Hello I'm Paws and
I work with Camden Council
to help teach kids about Responsible
Pet Ownership and how to be safe
around dogs.

You might have seen me around your area, either
visiting your school or spending a fun filled day out
at our special yearly dog event, "Paws in the Park".

I have created this activity book to help teach you
about PAWS Safe a
PET AWARENESS and **SAFETY** Program.

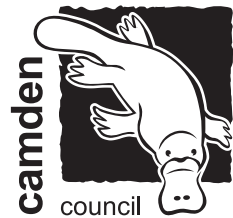
So follow my PAW prints and let's have fun
exploring how we can look after our dogs
or cats while also learning
how to be safe around dogs.



**Hello I'm Pip and
I'm here to help Paws teach
you about Responsible Pet Ownership.**

**I'm here to teach you about the
Permanent Identification Program (PIP),
so your pet can find their
way home.**

I clean up after my dog



How Kids SHOULD NOT Interact with Dogs

It's common sense. Just imagine how people should interact with each other.

Avoid taking people's food



Avoid bothering dogs when they are eating

Avoid stealing other people's toys



Avoid taking a dog's bones or toys

Avoid putting your face right up to someone else's face



Avoid putting your face right up to a dog's face

Avoid bothering when asleep



Avoid bothering animals when they are resting. Let sleeping dogs lie.

Avoid pestering



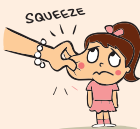
Avoid grabbing tail/ears

Avoid climbing on or trampling



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Avoid pinching



Avoid hugging. Most dogs dislike it.

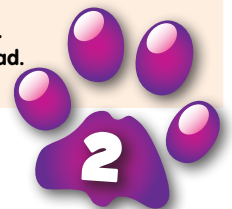
Avoid screaming around



Avoid hollering and shouting. Use your "inside" voice instead.

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Body Language of Fear in Dogs



Slight Cowering



Major Cowering



More Subtle Signs of Fear & Anxiety



Licking Lips
when no food nearby



Panting
when not hot or thirsty



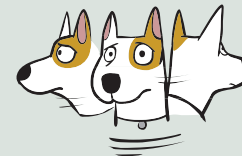
Brows Furrowed, Ears to Side



Moving in Slow Motion
walking slow on floor



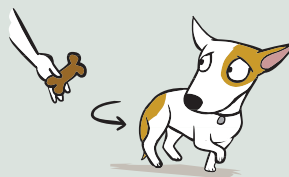
Acting Sleepy or Yawning
when they shouldn't be tired



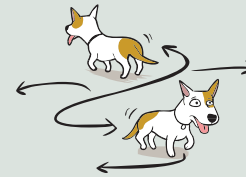
Hypervigilant
looking in many directions



Suddenly Won't Eat
but was hungry earlier



Moving Away



Pacing

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Body Language of Feline Anxiety



Slight crouching



Major crouching

More Subtle Signs of Fear & Anxiety



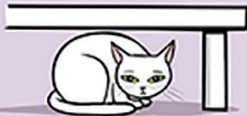
Dilated Eyes



Ears Turned Back,
Furrowed Brow



Staring,
Focused on Object



Hiding,
Looks Half Asleep



Laying on Side,
Tail Flicking



Hair Raised, Staring,
Ears Turned Back



Walking with Flat Back,
Tail Down, Head Down

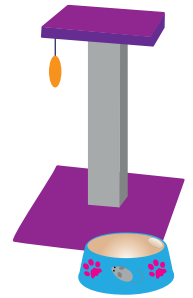
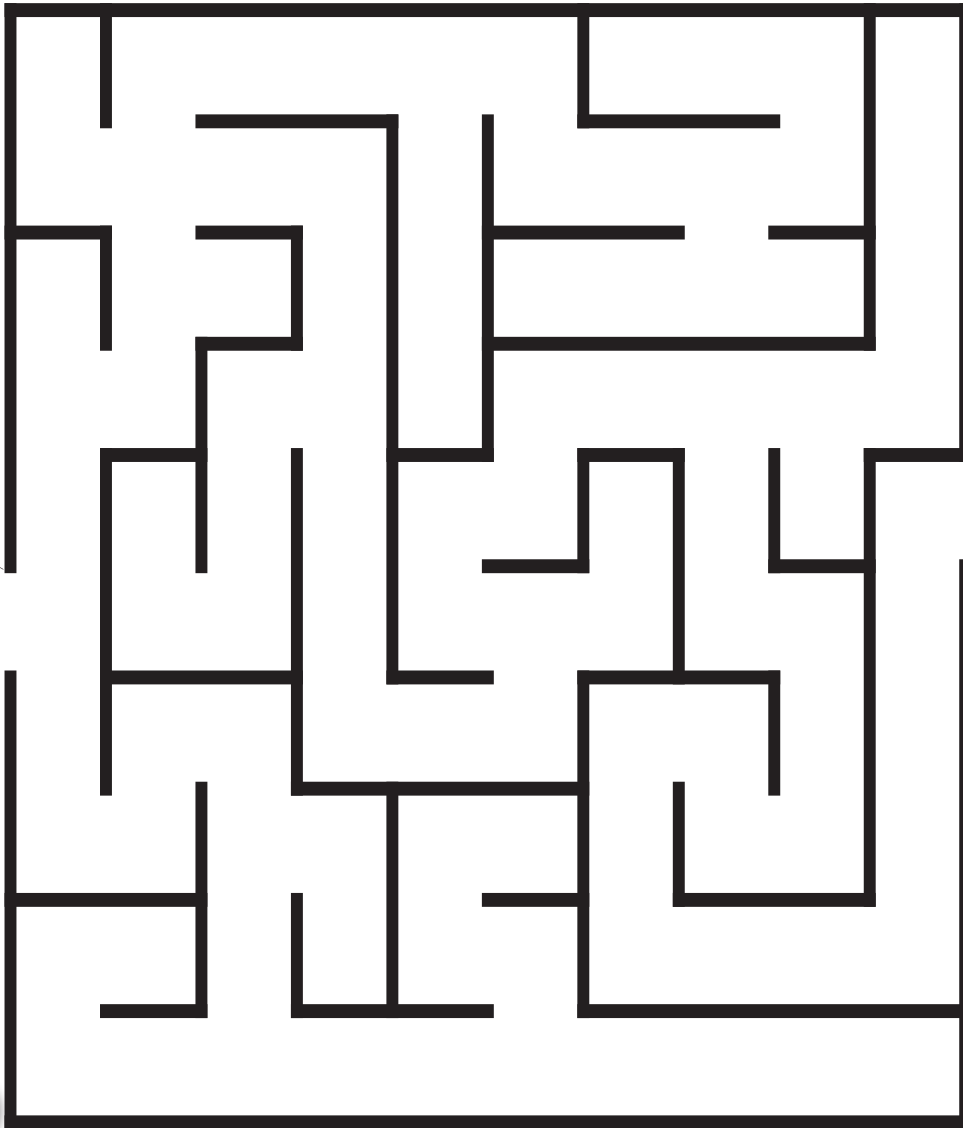
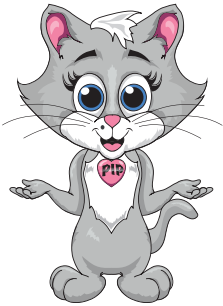


Ready to Jump Off Perch



Suddenly Grooming,
Excessive Grooming

Can You Help PIP Find Her Way Home



Fact Sheets

Unsafe foods for your dog and cat



Dogs:

- **Onions and garlic** – Can damage a dogs red blood cells
- **Chocolate** – Contains caffeine and theobromine which affect the heart and nervous system of dogs
- **Some bones** – Small and brittle bones like fish and chicken legs as well as cooked bones
- **Grapes and raisins** – Contain a toxin that can cause damage to dogs kidneys
- **Raw eggs** – Raw egg whites contain avidin a protein that depletes biotin. Excessive consumption leads to skin and hair problems
- **Caffeine** – Caffeine is a stimulant that can cause heart palpitations
- **Fatty and oily food** – Too much fatty food can cause pancreatitis

Cats:

- **Onions and garlic** – Eating some types of onion on a regular basis could cause anaemia
- **Chocolate** – Can cause heart arrhythmias, muscle tremors, or seizures
- **Fat trimmings** – Raw meat, raw eggs and raw fish can cause vomiting and diarrhoea



Find-A-Word

C	O	L	L	A	R	U	D	E	I	J	A	G	I	V
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C	E	O	P	L	S	X	C	Y	N	E	C	Y	R	R



EXERCISE
COLLAR
TAG
CAT

KENNEL
PUPPY
SAFETY
CAMDEN

RANGER
DOG
SHELTER

RESCUE
LEAD
COMPANION

MEOW
WALK
REGISTER

Fact Sheets

How to be a Responsible Pet Owner

Your pet relies on you for shelter, warmth, food, exercise and most importantly love. Here are some facts that will help you to be the best animal parent you can be!

Microchip

- Having your dogs and cats microchipped will help them find their way home
- Make sure you update your dog or cats details with Council when you move
- Make sure your dog and cat are wearing a collar with a name tag

Shelter

- Make sure your dog and cat have shade when it is hot or cold
- The best place for your cat at night is inside

Food and water

- Your dog and cat needs a balanced diet to keep them healthy - just like you
- Make sure they have plenty of water especially when its hot

Register

- Registering your dogs and cats an important part of being a responsible pet owner
- Lifetime register your dogs and cats at Council
- If your dog or cat is desexed your registration fee is less

Exercise

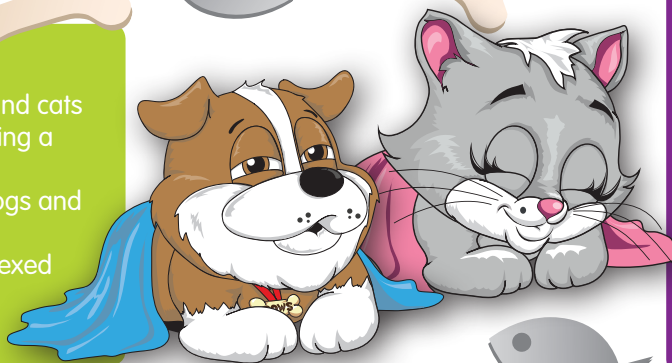
- Make sure your dog gets plenty of exercise
- Like you your dog also needs to go for walks to keep healthy – An “Active dog is a Happy dog”
- Look at taking your dog to Council’s off leash areas
- Cats also need to play so look at buying some toys to keep them active and happy

Desex

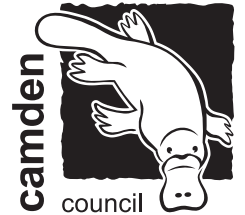
- Having your dogs and cats desexed will help control unwanted puppies and kittens
- Ask your local vet for information

Secure yard

- Make sure your dog can not get out of it's yard by checking all the fences are secure
- Make sure to close and lock all your gates when you leave your yard



My dog is registered



How to Greet a Dog (and What to Avoid)

Appropriate greetings are common sense. Imagine if someone greeted you the way many people greet dogs!

Human to Human INCORRECT



Avoid reaching into their safety zone.



Avoid rushing up.



Avoid interactions without asking.



Avoid staring at people. This is scary.



Avoid looming over.



Avoid reaching into personal space.



Avoid close interaction if the person is afraid of you.



Avoid touching inappropriately.

Human to Dog INCORRECT



Avoid reaching in or towards the dog's car.



Avoid rushing up.



Avoid interacting with unfamiliar dogs, especially if they're tied up.



Avoid staring at the dog or approaching head-on.



Avoid leaning over or towards dogs even when you change position to squat or get up.



Avoid reaching your hand out for the dog to sniff.



Avoid petting if the dog looks nervous or tense. Just admire him instead.



Avoid hugging, kissing, and patting roughly. This is too familiar and disliked by many dogs.

Human to Dog CORRECT



Stand a safe distance away so that you are not a threat.



Approach slowly (at a relaxed walk).



Ask if you can interact first.



Approach sideways and look using your peripheral vision.



Stay outside the dog's bubble and present your side to the dog.



Let the dog approach at his own rate.



It's OK to pet the dog if he looks relaxed, comes up to you, and solicits your attention by rubbing against you.



Pet gently.

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Dogs and loud noises

Noise

- Dogs get scared when there is loud noises from fireworks
- Dogs can also get scared during thunder storms

Signs you might see

- Dogs may start making crying noises when scared
- They might curl up in a corner or at your back door
 - They might start to tremble
 - They might curl up close to you
- Dogs might try to escape from the noise by getting out of your yard
 - They might hurt themselves while trying to do this

How to help your dog

- Give your dog a nice place to go where they know they are safe
- Put your dog inside during thunder storms or fireworks displays
 - Turn on the radio or television
- Give them their favourite toy to play with
- Make sure all windows and doors are closed if inside
 - Make sure fencing and gates are secure if they are outside
- The best thing is to be near your dog to help them feel safe



How Kids SHOULD Interact with Dogs

Use common sense.

Be polite and kind to pets

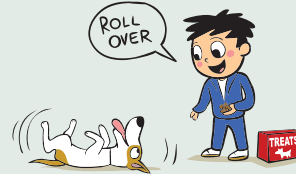
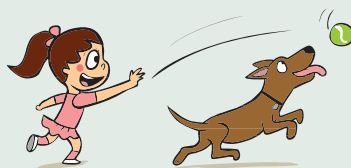


Learn to recognize when your dog is scared or anxious



Play appropriate games with pets, such as:

Fetch



Training tricks (like roll over, shake, beg, etc.)

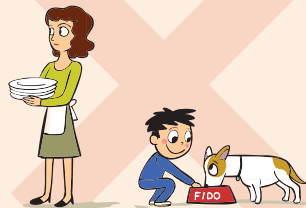
Walking and running with a dog



Playing hide-n-seek

Always remember:

Supervise all interactions. Accidents can happen in a split second.



Train your dog to associate the kids with positive experiences so he'll be more likely to tolerate your child in case she accidentally interacts inappropriately.



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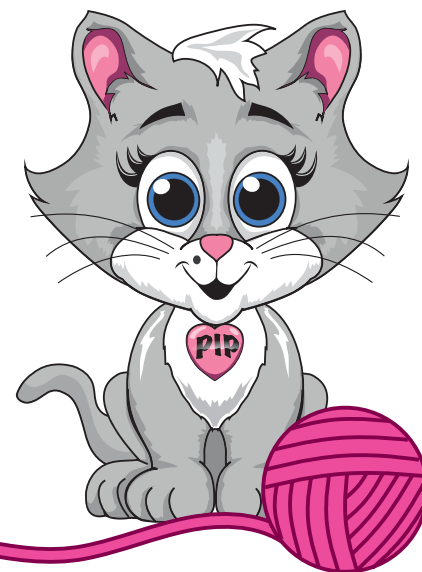
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Some cool facts about cats

- Cats are carnivores – this means they eat meat
- Most cats weigh between 2.5 – 7 kilograms
- Cats conserve their energy by sleeping an average 13 – 14 hours a day
- Cats spend a large amount of time licking their coats to keep them clean
- Cats have 30 teeth
- A cat's nose is like a human's fingerprint
- Cats have a strong sense of smell (about 14 times stronger than a human)
- On average, an indoor cat lives twelve years or more
- On average an outdoor cat's life expectancy is less than five years

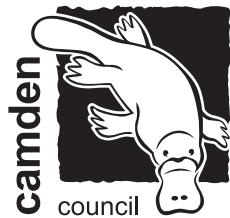


Some cool facts about dogs

- Adult dogs have 42 teeth
- The dog's average life expectancy is 8 to 15 years
- At birth puppies are deaf, blind, and toothless and have almost no sense of smell
- Dogs have twice as many muscles for moving their ears as people
- Some dogs grow 30 millimetres of fur per day
- Dogs only sweat from the bottoms of their feet, the only way they can discharge heat is by panting
- Dalmatians are born spotless: at first pure white, their spots develop as they age
- Contrary to popular belief, dogs aren't colour blind; they can see shades of blue, yellow, green and grey. The colour red registers on a greyscale in a dog's vision



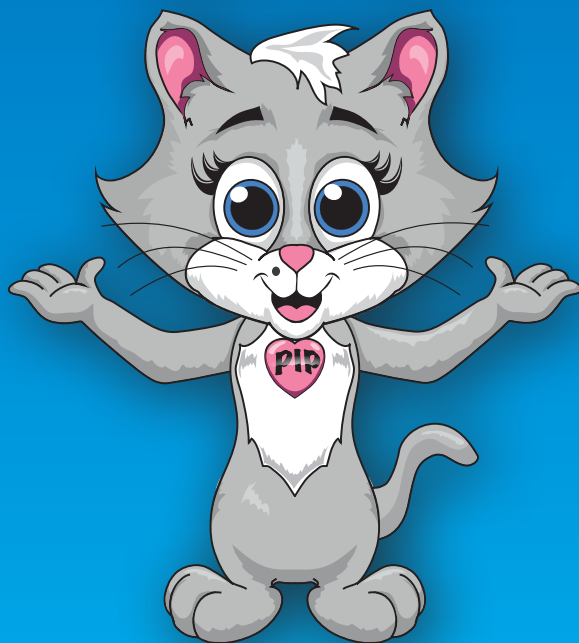
My cat is microchipped



Now lets see what you have learnt to be a responsible pet owner

- Q. Should all dogs and cats be microchipped?
- Q. What should your dog and cat be wearing so it can find it's way home if lost?
- Q. Name a food you should not feed your cat?
- Q. What two noises can dogs be scared of?
- Q. How many teeth do cats have?
- Q. When walking your dog should it always be on a lead?
- Q. What is one thing you should not do to your dog when with them?
- Q. How would you know if a dog is scared?
- Q. Should you approach a scared or aggressive dog?





Tear off to use as a book mark

My Pledge to my Animals

- 1 I promise to care for my animals
- 2 I promise to keep my animals safe
- 3 I promise that my animals will never be bored or lonely
- 4 I promise to give my animals toys to play with
- 5 I promise to keep my dog and cat safely enclosed at night
- 6 I promise to exercise my dog every day
- 7 I promise to make sure my pets don't annoy other people
- 8 I promise to be my pet's best friend

Signed by

Ask your family to read and sign too.



Information

"Off leash" areas:

- River Road Reserve,
located at 42 River Road
Elderslie – Open all hours
- Rosevale Reserve
Rosevale Place Narellan
Open all hours
- Clifton Park Arcadian
Hills Estate Cobbitty
or visit councils website



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If you have lost your dog or
cat or would like to adopt
a new pet you can contact
Council's animal care facility,
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Congratulate you on becoming a Responsible Pet Owner!

