

The Dog Guardian

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Hi everybody

Welcome to the December edition of the Kid's Dog Guardian. For those of you who are new members, let us introduce ourselves. We are the Dog Guardian newsletter co-editors' dogs - Tyler, Julie's pup, and Morgan, Jill's pup. We decided the Kid's newsletter needed articles written by us dogs. We want to give you guys our perspective of being responsible around us dogs. 😊

Fun website

By Tyler

This month I would like to tell you about the Humane society website. Each city has its own website. I live in Ottawa so I would like to tell you about the Ottawa Humane Society. Click on this link

<http://ohskids.ca/home/> and it will bring you to the kids' page.

The page gives you a short description of what the Ottawa Humane Society is about. On the top of the screen you can click on 'Fun Zone' to play many different games. Click on 'Animals' to find out information like 'Are you ready for a pet?', 'How to be a responsible pet owner' and other important topics. Click on 'Get Involved' to find out about birthday parties, camps and other fun events. The section I really like is 'Meet Our Dog Volunteers'. 12 lucky dogs get to volunteer at OHS. To meet them click on 'About Us' and then click on 'Meet Our Dog Volunteers'. I think they have the neatest jobs.

What if You Can't Have a Dog?

By Morgan

This month I would like to tell you about pet rabbits. I really like the article my Mom, Jill, wrote about them. Here is the link:

<http://www.responsibleogowners.ca/kidspage/activitypage-summer2016.html>

She tells us that "Pet rabbits come in many sizes and colours. They make very good pets and can be taught tricks just like dogs, using positive reward training such as clicker training. They can be kept outside in a mild climate; however, they will be happier indoors where they can have regular companionship. Your garage isn't a very good

place to keep a rabbit if you have a car because of the exhaust fumes. To make rabbits easier to handle and less nervous, it is a good idea to stroke them often and to pick them up once they are used to you.”

She points out that “Rabbits need quite a bit of space – a large wooden hutch and a chance to run about every day to get some exercise. They can be litter trained, like cats, and litter trained rabbits are much more hygienic if they are allowed to run freely in the house.”

<http://ohskids.ca/animals/am-i-the-right-pet-for-you/rabbits>

Dogs' Den storybook

By Morgan and Tyler

We already gave you some good tips on how to be safe around us while having fun. We told you that we love to play with kids, but do not like being teased or chased. We also reminded you that it is important for us to go to the vet for regular checkups. We pointed out that most of us are very friendly and are eager to meet people, but please ask our owners before petting us. Remember it is important not to run up to us. We know you are eager to meet us, but some dogs are nervous and may bark or growl. We love to go to dog training classes. We are very eager to learn. Please don't pull our ears and tails. It hurts and we don't like it. After all how would you like it if we pulled your ears? Not very nice!

This month we would like to talk to you about what to do when we get hurt.

The best way to help us when we are hurt is to call an adult. They will know what to do.





Be kind to all animals.

Colouring contest

By Tyler

Thank you for being kind to us. We all like to be treated with kindness. It's the best way to form a bond with us.

Colour the 'Be kind to all animals' picture. Scan or take a photo of the picture you coloured, and send it to us at morejulie@hotmail.com with your email address. We will choose a winner each month, and post it in our newsletter for everybody to see.

Puzzle

Fill in the missing letters. Your puppy can help you with the answers 😊

If you would prefer to print out the questions, just [click here](#) for a printable image.

1. Your puppy needs:

- A. LO__E all the time
- B. F___D to eat
- C. W__T__R to drink
- D. A L__ASH when you take him for a walk
- E. TO__S to play with
- F. PU___Y classes so he learns how to behave

2. Your puppy doesn't like it when:

- A. You P__LL his ears
- B. Make a sudden NO__SE
- C. T__ASE him
- D. Bother him when he is EA__ING

3. Your puppy likes it when:

- A. You P__AY with him
- B. TA__E him for a walk
- C. FE__D him
- D. Give H__M treats

Answers

(no peeking until you have finished!)

<p>Question 1</p> <p>A. v B. oo C. ae D. e E. y F. pp</p>	<p>Question 2</p> <p>A. u B. i C. e D. t</p>
<p>Question 3</p> <p>A. l B. k C. e D. i</p>	

Did you solve all the questions?

Well done! 😊

Thank you

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Tyler and Morgan 🐾