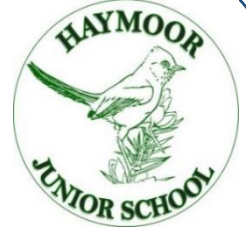




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Haymoor Junior Dog Park

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are all aware, I am a dog owner and love nothing more than walking Dottie! I know that many of you will be the same and a good use of your time would be to walk the dog to and from school at pick-up and drop-off. We are, other than Dottie, a dog free site. I know that this means that you have to leave your dog out of sight and at the school gate, in quite a confined space, which is not ideal. Therefore, I have created a 'dog park' at the top of the school drive, along the back fence on the grass area, as shown on the map below.



Dog park

All dogs **MUST** be securely tied up to the fence on a short lead when they are left. They should be far enough away that they cannot reach the path and so are kept safely away from the pedestrians. They should also be a safe distance from other dogs.

As someone who loves dogs, I can understand the temptation to head over to our dog park and interact with the dogs there. However, please can I ask that none of us give in to this temptation. It can be frightening to dogs for unknown people to come up to them, especially when their owners are not there. The dogs should be up on the



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grass and the pedestrians on the path. This gives us all an opportunity to teach our children that we must never touch a dog that we don't know without asking permission from its owner.

I hope that these new arrangements allow for a safe space for dogs and is more convenient for dog owners who want to enjoy the walk to and from school with their four-legged friends.

With best wishes,



Miss Lucy Waterhouse
Headteacher



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