



# WELSH BACCALAUREATE SKILLS CHALLENGE CERTIFICATE

National/Foundation

## **Community Challenge**

**Dogs Trust** 



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### **Responsible Dog Ownership**



#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Community Challenge is to develop learners' skills, whilst encouraging learners to identify, develop and participate in opportunities that will benefit a community. During the Community Challenge learners will explicitly develop skills of **Planning and Organisation** and **Personal Effectiveness** and apply them in an appropriate manner.

#### **BRIEF**

We all need to be aware of the challenges and opportunities we may meet on a personal level in our local community: school, the local area, the nearest village, town or city. During this Challenge you will focus on real-life concerns and needs through activities which aim to make a difference in the community. You must consider whether you need to develop and extend your skills, knowledge and understanding to be able to successfully meet the needs of the Challenge.

Coaching involves supporting and helping others to improve, learn new skills and achieve personal goals. Through developing opportunities and by sharing your skills and knowledge, you can help other to increase their knowledge, understanding, enjoyment and confidence when participating in an activity.



**Dogs Trust** is the UK's largest dog welfare charity and in 2017, we cared for over 15,000 dogs across our 21 centres. In the UK are there are thousands of unwanted and abandoned dogs and we are working hard to reduce this figure and to improve the overall welfare of dogs.

We work closely with communites, delivering education programmes and running campaigns to spread our key messages.

We believe that by helping people learn about the responsibilities and commitment involved in dog ownership that we can reduce the number of dogs that are mistreated and/or abandoned, as well as improving the communities that people live in.

Can you help us spread our important mesasages?

**Dogs Trust** would like your help to engage members of your school to develop their understanding of responsible dog ownership. You will need to develop and deliver educational sessions for other members of your school based on our campaign topics. You can choose from the list below and you may choose more than 1 topic.

- Microchipping and Collar & Tag
- Dog FoulingDog Theft
- Puppy Smuggling
- Hot Dogs
- Breeding & Advertising of Dogs

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This will involve you as an individual or as a member of a team (3 - 6 members) spending **10 hours** running **coaching** sessions for a group or individuals in your school community. In preparation, you must develop activities to **inform and educate others** on responsible dog ownership. You must plan and organise how you will carry out **10 hours** actively coaching the community.

A suggested structure could be:

- Preparation of suitable sesisons and activities (2 hours)
- Delivery of sessions (8 hours)

You have been provided with links to official resources on the **Dogs Trust** website and should use these to prepare the content of your sessions. As part of your research and preparation, you could invite your local Youth Trainer in to deliver a session on your chosen topic and answer any questions you may have. Your local Youth Trainer can also be present during **the running of your sessions.** 

#### **RESOURCES**

https://www.dogstrust.org.uk/news-events/issues-campaigns/

www.dogstrust.org.uk

#### **CONTACTS**

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