

Working with you and your children to:

- Safeguard by teaching practical skills
- Develop resilience, confidence and esteem
- Prevent accidents, incidents and reduce harm



What is the Dog, Duck and Cat Jrust about?

The Dog, Duck and Cat (DDC) Trust provides educational, preventative and harm minimisation resources for use with children aged 0 – 9 with a core focus on promoting safety and developing resilience. The DDC characters were originally created in 2008 and were designed for key stage 1 and 2 pupils to deliver messages around alcohol, medicines and tobacco. The Trust now provides a broad suite of fun, interactive and age-appropriate stories, supporting session plans and teaching resources for children aged 0 – 9 across topics including:

- school readiness
- being a good friend and understanding healthy relationships
- staying safe (household products, medicines, road, dog, car, water, sun, online, etc.)
- building resilience and coping skills
- preventing exploitation and bullying
- dealing with bereavement
- developing empathy and awareness

At the DDC Trust, we understand that schools need to use high-quality resources which are both impactful for pupils and provide valuable evidence of this to stakeholders. Whilst the materials are designed with children in mind, using the resources in your school will also support wider responsibilities, both statutory and non-statutory, and allow a 'pupil-friendly' approach to this.

Using the DDC resources will allow settings to evidence meaningful contributions to important strategic drivers, such as:

- Ofsted framework
- areguarding duties
- Statutory guidance on Relationships Education and Health Education

The Trust has also designed resources in the programme so that they can be used outside of school to promote quality time between parent and child, as this is proven to increase attachment and resilience. The opportunity for parents, carers and guardians to access the stories and resources with their children at home also enables schools to engage with the community on important issues and 'continue the learning' outside of school. Once a school has signed up to the programme, all relevant stories and resources can be accessed free of charge by parents, carers and guardians via the Trust website.

As a charity, we aim to keep the cost of access to our materials as low as possible. We ask for a minimum donation of £200 per setting for one year's subscription to all existing and any new materials developed in this period.

As we are a charity, many schools find that money to pay for the programme can be raised through a community fund-raising event. This also provides useful evidence for schools around community engagement, as well as raising awareness of the important issues covered within the DDC programmes. Alternatively, payment can be made from existing school budgets. Further details on our costs and wider terms and conditions can be found on our website.

The resources and materials are designed to be used by teachers, professionals and anyone that works with a child and wants to help them to achieve the best possible outcomes in life. We are always looking to develop new materials, so if you have any suggestions as to new topics to cover or would like to work with us to develop these, then we'd love to hear from you!

Please visit the Dog, Duck and Cat Trust website for more information about our work including access to some free resources and details of how to sign up for these cost effective materials.

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