

# Animal-loving pupils launch sponsorship scheme

Other schools invited to join in pet animal sponsoring initiative

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#### Lasallian Animal Friends Sponsorship Scheme

Hi my name is Acel

Some years ago my brother and I were captured by Animal Welfare and brought to The Island Sanctuary 000HHH at first we were very, very afraid, but the nice people at the sanctuary soon started giving us nice food, toys and a warm bed and we soon started to like the kisses. We even got a new friend, named Skyler On a very sad day, my brother, Cuddles, was adopted but I was left behind. But Skyler promised me that he was going to be my new best friend and I am very happy now! WOOF WOOF! Your teacher Ms Veronique just told me that you are my new family now!! I was so happy that I started running in circles with joy! I promise I will be a very good doggy! Look at my 'good doggy' face in the photos.

### Thank You for Sponsoring Ace! Year 1 Ms Veronique & Ms Janet.









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Ruby is about 7 years old. Unfortunately he was mistreated and so he does not trust too many people Ruby was raised in a farm and came to the AAA covered in fleas. He is not very welcoming and needs time to allow people in. We hope that with time, love & patience he will come around.

### Thank You for Sponsoring Ruby! Year 4 Ms Roberta & Ms Abigail



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Hello there. I'm Bearl Guess that is because I am a big teddy bear when it comes to meeting kids like you. I love kids and I also let them brush me, feed me and go on horseback with me. You know what?! 1 am not Maltese. In fact I'm Swedish and when I was younger I was a Champion Racerll Now 1 am 20 years old and that is quite old for a horse I can't race anymore so the sanctuary took me in so that I may live my old days in retirement at this beautiful place.

With your sponsorship the sanctuary is going to be able to feed me. give me showers, call the vet when I'm sick and put hay under me so 1 have a soft bed at my stable You rock!

### Thank You for Sponsoring Bear! Year 6 Ms Rita, Ms Francette & Ms Rita







The De La Salle College Junior School Animation Team recently launched the Lasallian Animal Friends Sponsorship Scheme.

A poster of each animal sponsored was given to the respective class to help the pupils relate to their four-legged buddy.

We assigned a different animal sanctuary to each year group, and a pet to each class. Our pupils gave donations of €1 or €2 and in turn they received their pet's profile, together with photos. A poster of each animal was given to the respective class to help our pupils relate to their four-legged buddy. This turned out to be a great success as even members of staff contributed.

In all we managed to sponsor eight cats from Cat Lovers Adoptions, Welfare & Support (CLAWS), Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq, and Carers for Stray and Abandoned Felines (CSAF), Cospicua, eight dogs from The Island Sanctuary, Marsaxlokk, and the Association for Abandoned Animals (AAA), Marsa, and even a horse from RMJ's Horse Rescue, Siġġiewi.

We now wish to take this initiative a step further: we would like to invite other schools to contact us via e-mail <a href="mailto:sarah.mallia@delasalle.edu.mt">sarah.mallia@delasalle.edu.mt</a> so we can share information and resources with them and invite their pupils to participate in this sponsorship scheme too.

Maybe other schools would like to help other sanctuaries, or come up with new and better ideas to share with other schools. The possibilities are endless.

So, if you have an animal awareness representative at school, reach out so that we can work hand in hand towards one goal.

Compassion is already planted deep in the hearts of our children. All we need to do is water it and help it flourish.