

A Little Note from Max About Schools and Hot Dogs

It's that time again to put paw to paper.

School Visits

A few months ago my carer took me for a jolly jaunt to Wychwood Primary School. The kind people at the school had invited us round to talk to the children. My carer was very happy to accept, as

he much prefers chatting to little ones than working! I am not sure he would want me to say this though.

I had about a million children stroke me and listen to my heart with a stethoscope. It was excellent fun and I do hope we get invited back. If there are other schools or pre-schools that would like us to come round for a chat, please feel free to ring the practice and ask to speak to my carer, Grahame. I love being made a fuss of! One of the main things from that visit that has stuck in my mind was a magic trick. A kind lady put her arm in the air and as if by magic when she had three fingers up all the children sat down and went quiet. My carer has since tried this at home. By the lack of response he has a long way to go before he becomes a magician.

Don't Leave Us in Cars PLEASE

Cars, hot weather and pets do not mix well. My carer became acutely aware of



this when he was wedged into the back of a car that had its child locks on. He could not open a door or window and it only took a few minutes for the sun to make the car a rather unpleasant and hot place to be in. At the practice we see quite a few dogs every year that have been 'slow

roasted' in a locked car. They come in shaking, panting and drooling. We have to act very quickly to cool them down with cold showers and cold intravenous fluids. Occasionally dogs are brought in too late and the treatment does not work...

Please be aware that cars can become ovens when parked up and locked, even when the windows are slightly open and the car is parked in some shade. My view is I would rather stay at home and be left for a while than be cooked!

I very much hope everyone is enjoying the summer.

Yours,

Max (The Vet's Shih-Cairn)

P.S. If you would like to know more about fleas and their treatment options please feel free to ask my carer or one of his colleagues at Stow Veterinary Surgeons in Milton under Wychwood on: 01451 830620.

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