

# Puppy School

Thank you for your interest in our Puppy School program!

Owning a puppy is a huge responsibility. Your puppy is dependent on you for many things including shelter, food and companionship. In addition to these basic needs you are responsible for your puppy's behaviour and obedience training. If done properly your puppy will grow into a happy and healthy adult dog with whom you can enjoy years together.

## **Why come To Puppy School?**

Many canine behavioural studies have shown that the most vital stage of a puppy's development occurs between the ages of 8 and 14 weeks. It is during this time that puppies learn many of their personality traits that they display later in life. Socialisation of puppies is fundamental for them to develop into happier, more well adjusted dogs that make much more pleasant pets.

Puppy School is a program of classes aimed at providing you with the necessary tools to socialise and train your puppy in a rewarding and positive manner. It allows puppies of a similar ages to interact in a safe, controlled environment under the direction of trained and experienced staff. Positive reinforcement training techniques and basic obedience commands such as sit, drop, come and stay are taught. You will also get help with common doggy dilemmas such digging, jumping, biting, barking and toilet training.

Other topics covered in the sessions include life decisions (de-sexing, microchipping, and parasite control), nutrition, walking equipment, toys for puppies and advice for on-going training of your puppy.

In addition you will be taken on a guided tour of Karingal Veterinary Hospital to gain an appreciation of the care and commitment we have to you and your dog.



## When Are Puppy School classes Held?

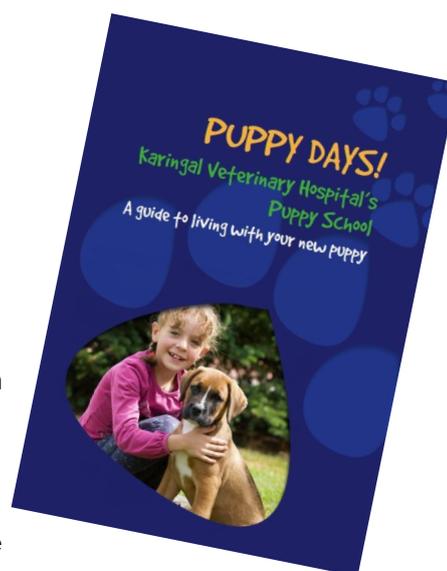
The course consists of 5 1-hour fun and informative sessions held over 4 weeks. Puppy School is held on Wednesday nights at either 6.00pm or 7.30pm. The first session is a "puppy-free" information night held on the Tuesday at 7.00pm prior to the Wednesday classes beginning.

All breeds of puppies are welcome but they must be aged between 8 and 14 weeks to commence the course and they must have received their first vaccination. A maximum of 6 puppies per class is allowed. We also encourage family members, including children to attend the classes to learn the techniques for socialising and training your puppy.

## What Else Do I Get?

In addition the five class sessions covering socialisation, training and other aspects of puppy care you will receive a number of other great benefits and offers. These include:

- **Puppy Companion.** A comprehensive notebook containing over 65 pages of information on topics such as de-sexing, house training, barking, dog training, microchipping, obedience clubs, nutrition, leash free walk areas, flea control and backyard fun for your puppy.
- **A Pig Ear.** A special treat for your puppy to have a chew on.
- **A Bag of Liver Treats.** These not only make a tasty treat but can be used to assist you in training your puppy. Your puppy will find these irresistible.
- **Karingal Veterinary Hospital Dog Lead.** These stylish leads are a fashionable gift to Puppy School graduates and are the envy of those dogs that were not lucky enough to go to Puppy School!
- **A Bag of Hill's Science Diet Puppy Food.** We believe very strongly in providing your puppy with the very best in pet care, including nutrition. Hill's Science Diet is the best dog food on the market. Each puppy is provided with a bag of food specifically chosen for its breed - small breed, medium breed or large breed.
- **Personalised Graduation Certificate.** Upon completion of Puppy School your puppy will receive a beautifully designed Graduation Certificate with their photo on it. This can be framed and hung on the wall with pride!
- **Puppy School License.** This little card is your pass to a great range of special promotions, discounts, exclusive invitations to events and an assortment of other fantastic offers for the life of your dog!



## What do other Puppy owners Think about Puppy School?

You don't have to just take our word for it that Puppy School is of great benefit for your puppy. We survey our clients that have brought their puppies to Puppy School and here are just few a few of their comments...

*"Charlie had a great time socialising with the other dogs of different sizes and breeds"...*

*"Thank you for teaching us and guiding us how to enhance and develop our puppy. You have given us great help and confidence in having Delilah."*

*"A very positive experience in a fun and relaxed atmosphere."*

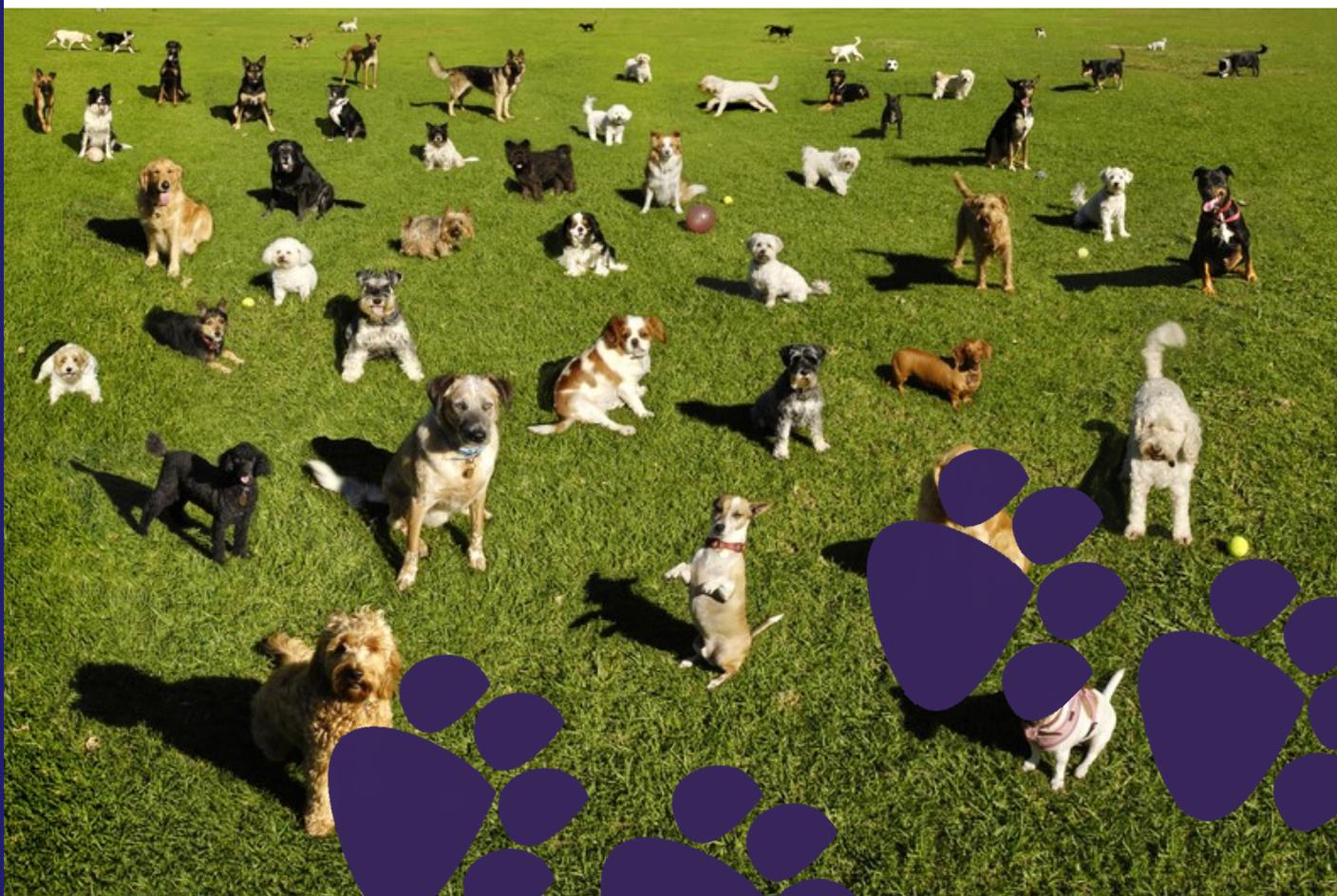
*"Awesome! I think the freebies and discounts surpassed the initial cost of the class! Great value."*

*"Absolutely loved it! Thanks heaps and we learnt a lot."*

### **How Much Does Puppy School cost?**

The cost of Puppy School is \$140.

Due to the high demand and limited number of places available it is necessary to book for the course and pay prior to commencement. If you would like to enrol your puppy in Puppy School or would like more information then please speak to a member of staff or phone 9789 3444. We hope to see you and your new puppy at Puppy School!





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