

Langford vet students

We work with the University of Bristol to host vet students for their final year rotations. These students have received extensive theoretical and practical training and their rotations are the final step before they are released into the world as qualified vets. Each rotation lasts 4 weeks and so we have plenty of time to get to know our students and help to train them accordingly. We are thoroughly enjoying having them as part of our team!

Myth buster - puppy exercise

We often hear people being told they shouldn't exercise their puppies too much as it will effect their developing joints but there is no evidence to support that. Our advice would be to consider the **type** of exercise your puppy is doing, repetitive high impact movements such as ball throwing may cause damage whereas long flat walks are unlikely to do so.



Behaviourist

Did you know that the title 'behaviourist' is not a protected title? This means that anyone can work as a behaviourist without necessarily holding any relevant or up to date qualifications. A qualified behaviourist is an essential tool if you have a dog suffering with anxiety or behavioural issues but we would always advise that you find a behaviourist who is a member of the Association of Pet Behaviour Counsellors (APBC) and/or the Animal Behaviour and Training Council (ABTC). To be part of the organisations, a behaviourist will have to undertake extensive training and regularly keep their knowledge up to date. It's worth checking with your insurance company as they will often cover behaviour referrals if certain accreditations are held.



Pet of the season - Minnie

This is the lovely Minnie and she is our Pet of the Season! Minnie was recently very unwell with a condition called ileus where her stomach and intestines stopped working. She was with us in the hospital for 3 days and received a lot of medication and a lot of intensive supportive care from our wonderful nursing team. At one point the outlook wasn't looking very good for Minnie, however, she eventually bounced back and has thankfully made a full recovery! She's one of our smallest adult canine patients at only 1.6kg and we have all fallen in love with her! Here she is with Head Nurse Amy and Senior Vet Jess giving her a prize that probably weighs more than her!

