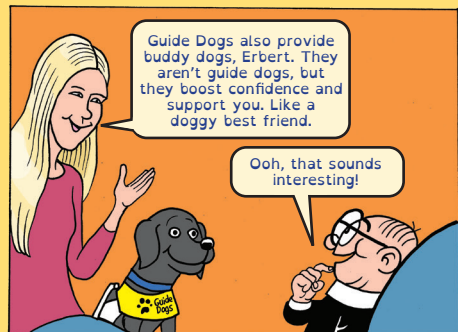
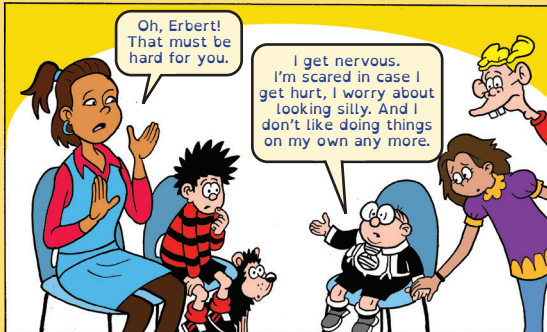
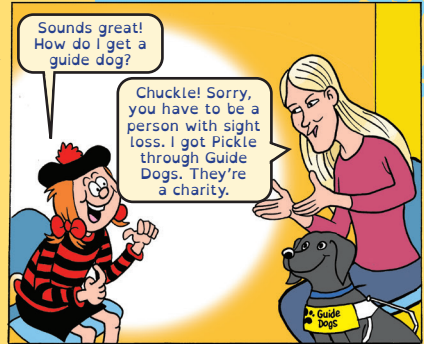
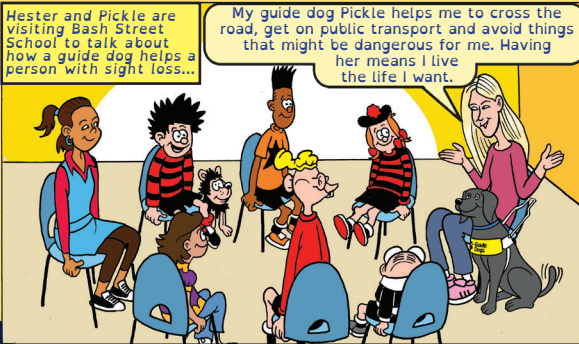




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Beano Presents: A BUDDY FOR LIFE



Guide Dogs' National Centre is less than an hour from here - I'm going to phone them to see if we can pay them a visit.

Just checking... buddy dogs are...

... only for children with sight loss. Sorry, Minnie!

It's road trip time!

Stop the bus, I need a wee-wee...

...a wee, wee drink of juice...

... and a banana...

Hi, we're from Bash Street School!

Welcome to Guide Dogs' National Centre! This is where every dog at Guide Dogs starts their journey as a life-changing puppy! Let's go and see the pups being trained by our brilliant staff and volunteers!

Guide Dogs National Centre

When they're very young, we want our puppies to feel happy so we introduce them to lots of interesting new experiences in a safe environment.

Aw, look! So cute!

There are 37 behaviours a dog has to learn to be a guide dog. These puppies are learning how to behave when they're around other dogs.

Here's a 1 year old guide dog in training, getting used to wearing a harness. Again, it's all done in a happy, safe environment to give the puppy confidence.

It's like a dog-school uniform!

Now it's time to meet an owner and their buddy dog.

Hi! I'm Alex and this is Chance! I have sight loss, and Chance really helps give me confidence.

Hi, Alex!

Hi, I'm Erbert. I have sight loss too. I only just found out.

Hi, Erbert, meet Chance. How do you feel about hearing that?

I don't know. I used to go out all the time, but now I worry about hurting myself, or looking silly.

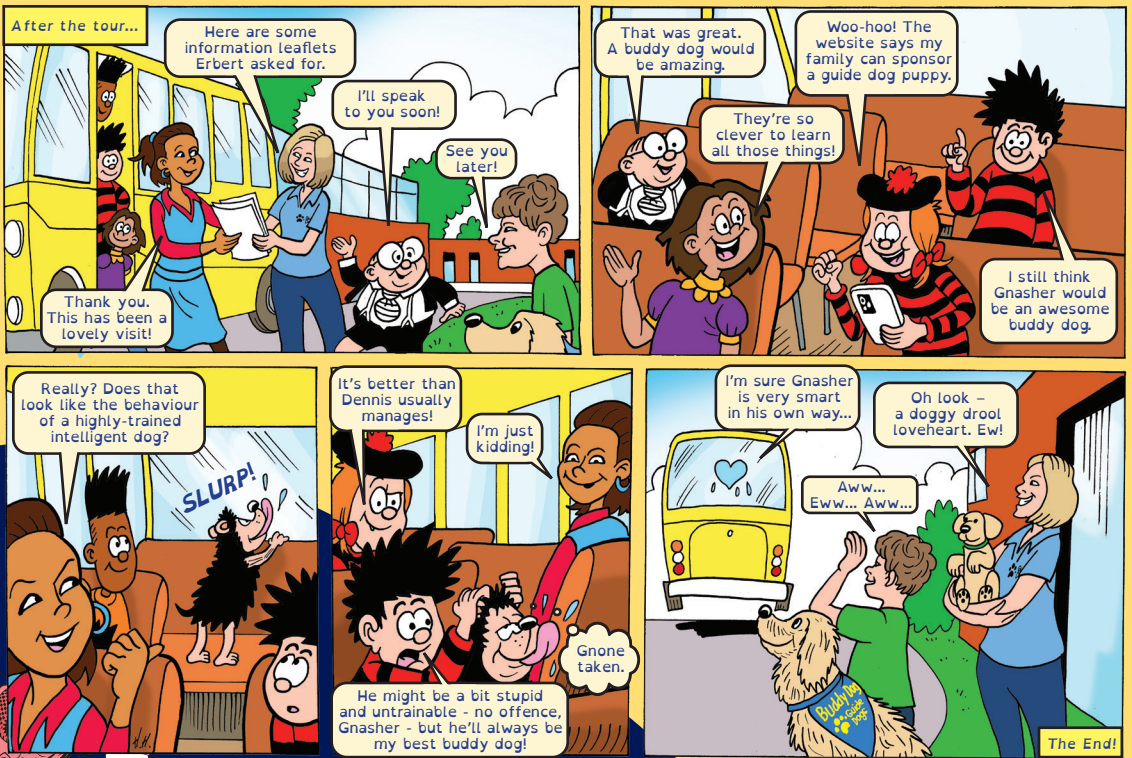
I used to feel like that too, but Chance really gave me confidence. Now I love going out, and it's great to have a best friend who's always around for a cuddle.

I wonder if your folks would like you to have a buddy dog, Erbert?

There's a family event here next month. You could come with your family and meet lots of guide and buddy dog owners.

That sounds great!

Guide Dogs FAMILY EVENT



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Have you been inspired by our special Guide Dogs story? Would you like to help them or find out more about how they train future life-changers?

You, your parents and your school or youth group can get involved in so many ways to help and support Guide Dogs make a huge difference to someone's life.

How about getting involved in Guide Dogs schools' event? You and your pals can all get involved in this exciting campaign. Fund Race is a learning experience building to a race with a twist - every participant is blindfolded and uses a rope as their guide.

scan here!

You can also find out more about the real-life Hester & Pickle and Alex & Chance and explore their stories.



There are lots more exciting ways to get involved, ask your grown up if you want to find out more!

www.guidedogs.org.uk/beano

