



Hello, it's Concetta and Mario here, Daisy's Puppy Walkers. Daisy will soon be going off to Guide Dogs Training School and we are excited to update you on how we've been preparing.

Daisy has grown into such a confident little puppy and it has been such a pleasure having her as part of our family. It's going to be difficult saying goodbye when she moves on to training school, but knowing she is going on to change the life of someone with sight loss will make it so worthwhile.

Puppy party

We celebrated Daisy's first birthday together which was so much fun. We held a puppy party with lots of her puppy pals and we even gave her a special dog friendly birthday cake. As you can imagine, she was exhausted afterwards from all of the playing!

Daisy's dog toy 'mini me' has remained her firm favourite over the last few months and she won't go anywhere without it. She even carries it outside with her when we go out and about, which is very sweet.









Developing skills

We've been developing Daisy's obedience skills further to prepare her for training school. We've been working on her 'wait' command, especially when someone knocks at the door, as she can get very excited. She has now learnt to sit back away from the door and wait until we open it.

Daisy has brilliant food manners which will be

vital in making sure she isn't distracted by food scraps and smells whilst guiding her handler.

Car challenge

One challenge we've faced with Daisy is that she is not a fan of travelling by car.

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Although she is brilliant when travelling by bus or train, she doesn't seem to be able to get the hang of the car yet. She is going to be having some extra support and training with this from Guide Dogs and we hope that she will be able to conquer her fear soon.

The next chapter

We will miss Daisy so much when she moves on to training school, especially the way she pokes her little head around the corner of the doorway to see where we are! However, we are so excited to see her progress to the next step in her guide dog journey and can't wait to see her proudly wearing her harness.

Look out for your next Pupdate in October to see how Daisy is getting on at training school!



Next stop for Daisy – training school

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