

Hello, it's Jane here, Molly's Puppy Walker. I've been busy preparing Molly for Guide Dog Training School.

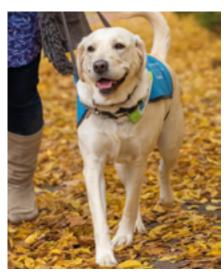
Puppy walking has taught me to live in the moment, just like a dog does – it's a great lesson to learn and it has made me focus on taking each day as it comes. I never had a dog before I started puppy walking, so I'm enjoying learning about how to raise puppies and teach them basic obedience skills.

Learning patience

Molly's lovely personality continues to shine through, and I've loved getting to know her unique traits. I've noticed her really begin to mature and calm down over the last few months, as she settles a lot quicker when we stop in café's and remains calm for longer periods of time. This is great to witness, and I will continue working on increasing her patience over the coming months.

I bought two large soft toy dogs for Molly and she loves to snuggle up to them and fall asleep. She often greets me with one of them which makes me laugh as they are so big for her to carry! She is such a sociable and playful girl and loves running around with the other dogs in the woods. Her recall is fantastic though and she comes straight back to me when I call for her.





Facing challenges

I'm pleased to say that Molly's door control has really improved, and she has learnt not to jump up to greet someone arriving at our house. She has also started to become quite the fearless pup, as vacuum cleaners and hand dryers no longer faze her; it has been a wonderful feeling to see my hard work paying off.

Molly had started to become a little anxious if I went upstairs without her and would bark as a result. I spent a lot of time rewarding her for calm and quiet behaviour, gradually increasing the time I was away from her. She is starting to learn that remaining calm and quiet will always get her the tastiest treat and that there is nothing to worry about if I leave her alone for a short period of time.

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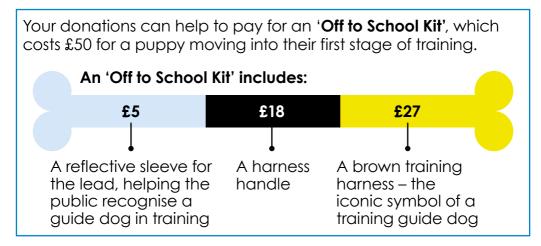


London's calling

I wanted Molly to experience a London lifestyle and so we visited London together, strolling around busy areas such as King's Cross and Euston station. I was ever so proud of her as she was very calm and took it all in her stride. I'm going to continue taking Molly to crowded and busy areas so that she can learn to remain focused on me despite lots of sights, smells and sounds going on around her.

Soon Molly will be ready for Guide Dogs Training School. I can't wait to see her start this new chapter in her journey to become a guide dog. Thank you for sponsoring Molly and look out for your next Pupdate in June!

Next stop for Molly – training school



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