

A SPLASH OF WINTER COLOUR

When we see the wattle glowing here in Headland Park we know we have passed the halfway mark of winter.

Unseasonal ticks •

This is the first year that we have seen large numbers of larval ticks continue throughout the winter months. We have already seen our first case of tick paralysis, which as you know can be fatal. So it is definitely time to start using fortnightly topspots for all dogs and cats who venture outdoors. Try to keep pets out of the bush, and check them daily for any ticks. If you find one, remove it quickly with a tick twister, or call us for advice.

The cost of fashion •

There are many dog breeds which sport different styles of hair fashion such as long beards or long eyelashes. These dogs receive specific breed clips to maintain their look. However these styles are man made, we see nothing but practicality and evolutionary advantage in the original species such as dingoes or wolves. So if your dog has long hair around its face, consider keeping it shorter. Your dog's gums, teeth and eyes will benefit as there will no longer be a nice damp environment in which bacteria can multiply.

Saturday School •

It has been great to see our happy dog students on Saturdays at 9.30am. Please feel welcome to come along and join in the training sessions. Just bring a lead, a collar, and some treats or a toy to draw your dog's attention. Ideally your dog will have had a chance to exercise and go to the loo beforehand, and be hungry enough to want some rewards. They really get a kick out of your undivided attention and pleasing you.

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