

Reward and Praise with Love!



Puppies respond to food reward, so why don't we teach our commands with treats? It would make it so much easier for them to learn the basic commands!

Yes, it would make it easier for YOU, but not for the pups. Our puppies have a big job ahead of them and a lot more to learn than just the basics. When our pups start harness training, the trainers will not have bags of treats to give them when they stop at a curb or avoid an obstacle. What they will get is praise and a pat on the head! Teaching them from an early age what their "reward" is, is more important than you think, isn't it?!

Love, trust and bond is the greatest gift we give. Our pups want to please and what better way to show them we are happy, than with LOVE!

Yes.....there are always "exceptions" :)

If you think about it, we do some "treat training". You start teaching your pup to sit/rest and release for their meals. They are learning basic commands AND most important, they are learning good manners.

There also may be a time when a pup is very unsure of a situation and treat training may help. This training would be specific AND you would NOT do it on your own. If your pup is having a problem, you should contact me (Vicki) and TOGETHER we will help the puppy overcome their fear and build their confidence.

Yes, it may take a bit longer for your pup to focus on you, BUT it is very important for them to learn with praise, so please put the treats away and bring on the hugs!