

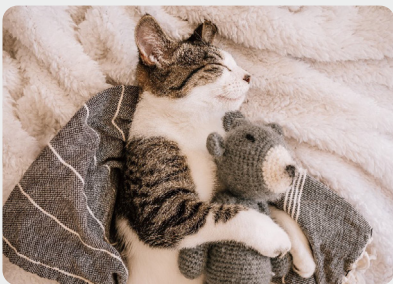
Kia ora - we're here with another exciting issue of Kind Matters!

Before we jump into this super special edition of our newsletter, we are thrilled to announce the winners of the Kind Matters Animal Photography Competition.

With over 100 entries from across Aotearoa, this has been our most popular competition to date. As such, choosing only two winners was extremely difficult. That's why we've chosen a winner and runner-up for each category!

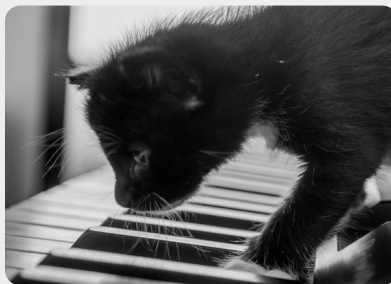
Without further delay, our wonderful winners are...

Junior Winner



Memphis-Rose, age 9

Senior Winner



Zylah, age 16

Junior Runner-Up



Olivia, age 9

Senior Runner-Up



Molly, age 12

But that's not all! We received so many incredible animal photos - from companion, to farmed, to wild - which is why we've decided to share a photo from ALL of our pawesome entrants! They are a fantastic representation of the animals SPCA helps every day. Check them out on the following pages.

What's Inside



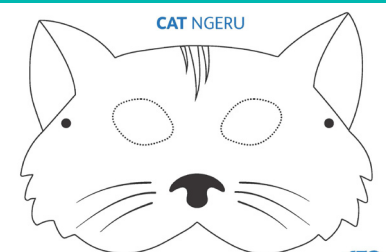
SPCA NZ's History:

Read about how SPCA came to be in NZ, our milestones, and goals for the future!



Join the celebration!

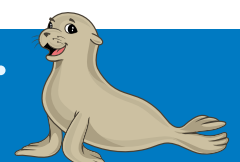
Celebrate SPCA's 150th birthday and learn more about animal welfare!



Animal Face Masks:

Purrrfect for your school's 150th celebration day!

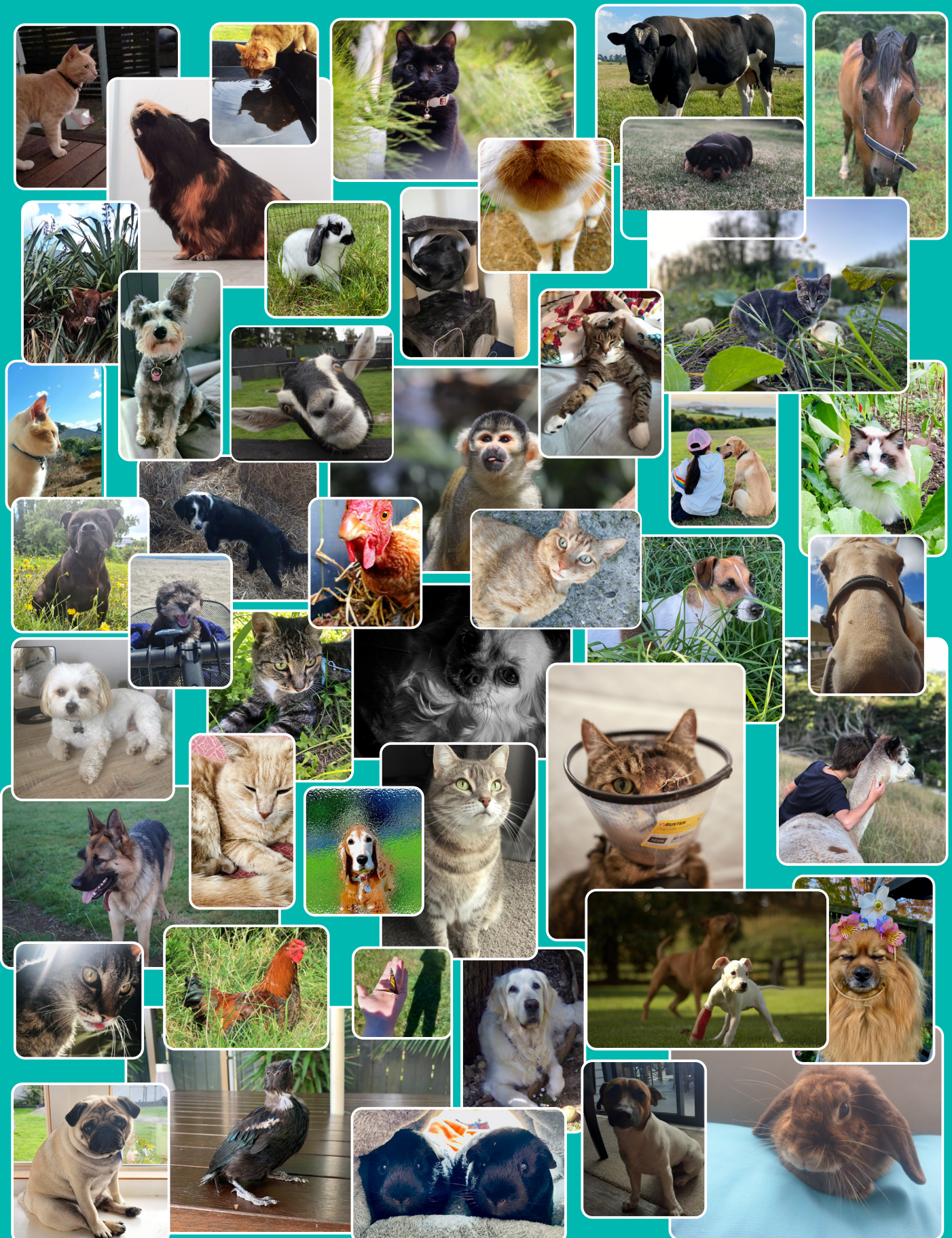
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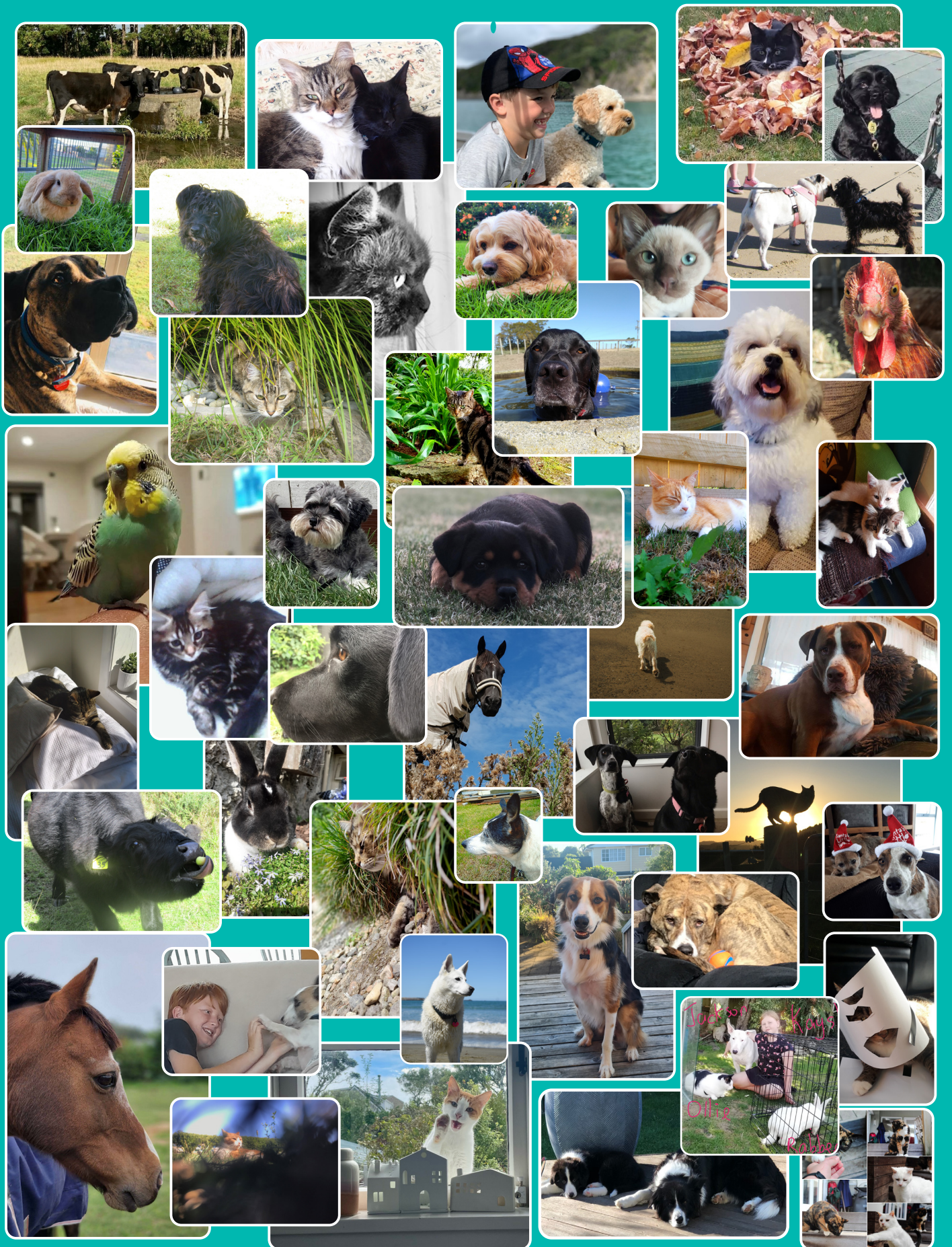
Visit www.sPCA.nz/kids for more animal-related info!

Kind Matters Photography Competition '22 Photos

Congratulations to our winners and a big thank you to everyone who entered the competition - you are all pawesome!



Kind Matters Photography Competition '22 Photos



Thank you to our incredible sponsors: *Whittakers, Faber-Castell NZ, Whitcoulls, Pics Peanut Butter, Dodoland - Eugy, Nestle Purina, Wheelers, and Mary-Egan Publishing.* View full-sized winning photos [here](#).

Now that we have celebrated all of your awesome photos, it's time to celebrate something a little different... SPCA's 150th birthday! Read on to learn about SPCA NZ's important history, our accomplishments over the years, what we see for our future, and how you can help us celebrate our birthday!



SPCA New Zealand's History

1822



The first law to protect animals was passed in England.

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1824



SPCA was founded in England.

1835



The English Protection of Animals Act 1835 became part of NZ law.

1872



The first SPCA was formed in Canterbury, followed by Otago, Auckland, and then Wellington.

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2022



SPCA now has 33 centres that care for and protect NZ's animals.

2017



SPCA's independent centres formed one national organisation, creating One SPCA.

1999



The Animal Welfare Act 1999 became what it is in New Zealand today.

1878



The first national law protecting animals in NZ was passed.

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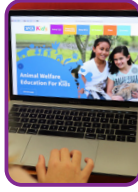
Accomplishments

SPCA has come a long way in the last 150 years. Check out some of our amazing accomplishments below:



Snip 'n' Chip

SPCA launched our Snip 'n' Chip campaign to help our communities spay/neuter and microchip their companions.



Education

SPCA developed a free Education Programme that includes our Kids' Portal and 4 series of storybooks!



Science & Advocacy

SPCA has had huge advocacy wins and continue to make submissions to the government to improve animal welfare.



Protect & Seek Justice

SPCA is the only charity with the power to investigate cases of cruelty, abuse, neglect, and abandonment.



Adoption

Over the past 150 years, SPCA has cared for *millions* of animals and helped them get a second chance at the life they deserve.



Employees & Volunteers

SPCA now has 600 employees and 5000 volunteers across Aotearoa.



Success Stories

Marvel



According to SPCA Inspector, Liisa - Marvel the horse is one of the most resilient and inspiring animals she has ever met.

Sadly, Liisa found Marvel and her foal in very poor conditions. Even though Marvel was severely underweight and badly injured, she was doing her very best to take care of her baby. Fortunately, with the help, love, and care of SPCA, Marvel and her foal made an amazing recovery and now have a second chance at the life they deserve!

When Dumpling was only a few weeks old, she found herself in the care of SPCA. This is because she had gotten lost and had seriously injured her eye. With Dumpling's right eye causing severe pain and irreversible damage, our team knew that removing her eye was the best option so that she could go on to live a happy and pain-free life. Dumpling recovered amazingly and it did not take long for her to find the perfect forever home. She's now living a very happy and healthy life with her new family!

Dumpling



Piglet



Piglet's transformation from a young and neglected puppy, to a strong, healthy, and happy dog is truly a remarkable one!

When Piglet came into SPCA's care, she had several health issues causing her a lot of pain and discomfort. Though a long journey, Piglet stayed strong and made a full recovery with the help of SPCA staff and volunteers. Today, Piglet is happy and on a trial adoption - our team have no doubt that it will be a perfect match!

This past year, there were:

- **34,161** animals cared for.
- **27,964** animals spayed/neutered.
- **14,276** responses to animal welfare concerns.
- **9,819** ambulance jobs attended.
- **1,126** primary and intermediate schools using SPCA's Education Programme.

Our purpose is to create a better life for all New Zealand animals, and we are proud of what we achieve each year, together with our communities and supporters.



The Next 150 Years

From the beginning, SPCA has promised ‘to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves’ – in the future, we will continue to do just that, with a focus on preventing cruelty before it happens!



Our Mission/ Our Purpose:

To advance animal welfare and prevent cruelty.



Our Vision:

All animal lives matter in our communities.



Our Values:

We are One,
We are Kind,
We are Brave,
We Thrive,
We Serve.



Our Objectives:

Advocate and influence, educate and engage, deliver positive animal outcomes, and seek justice.

Celebrate with us!

It's SPCA's 150th birthday and we're inviting schools across the country to take part in an Animal Themed Dress Up Day this May, to help celebrate!

There are lots of ways to make your Animal Themed Dress Up Day super fun. You can create your very own costume design from scratch, or print and colour our animal masks at the end of this newsletter.

Talk to your teacher about registering your school or class online [here](#) and our team will be in touch with more information on how to get involved. We can't wait to celebrate with you!



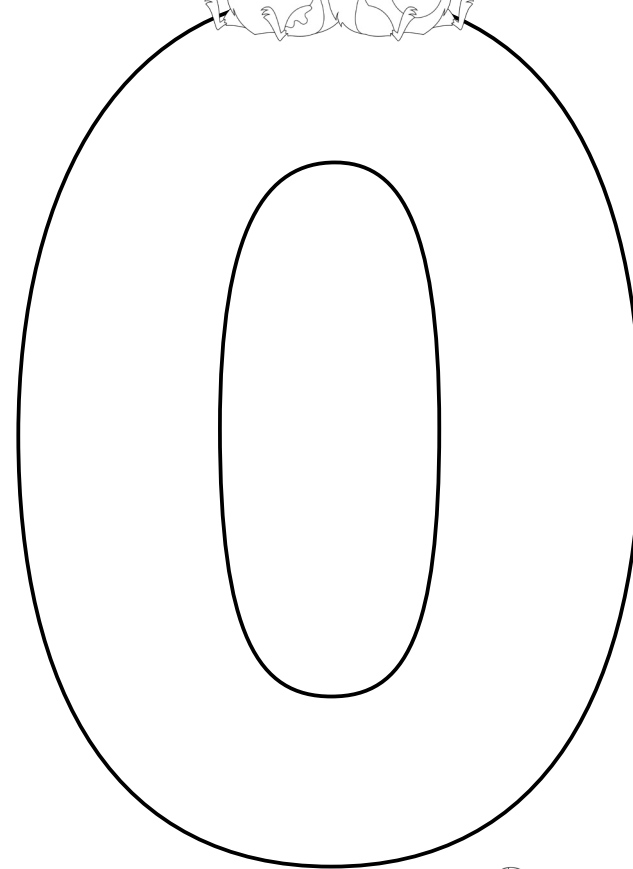
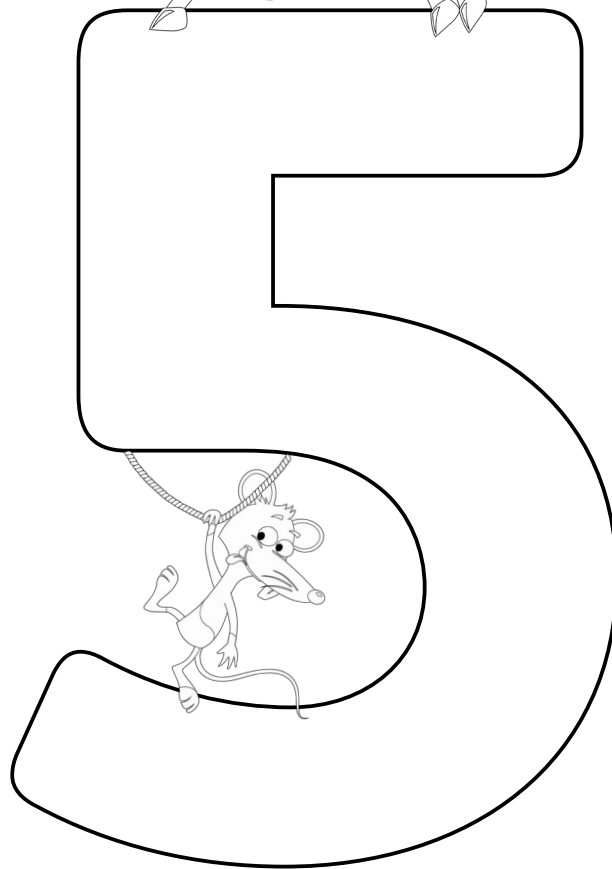
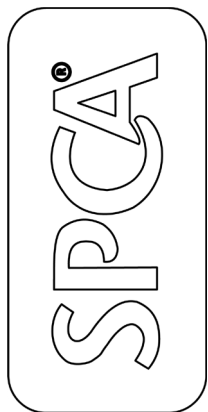
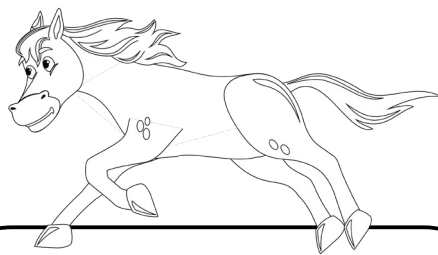
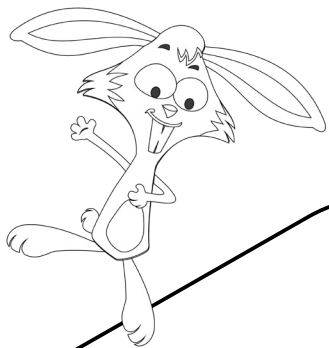
Send us your birthday celebration photos!
Email education@spca.nz

Is there something you'd like to see in the next issue of Kind Matters?

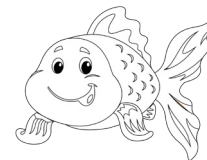
We'd love to hear from you!

Email education@spca.nz with your ideas!



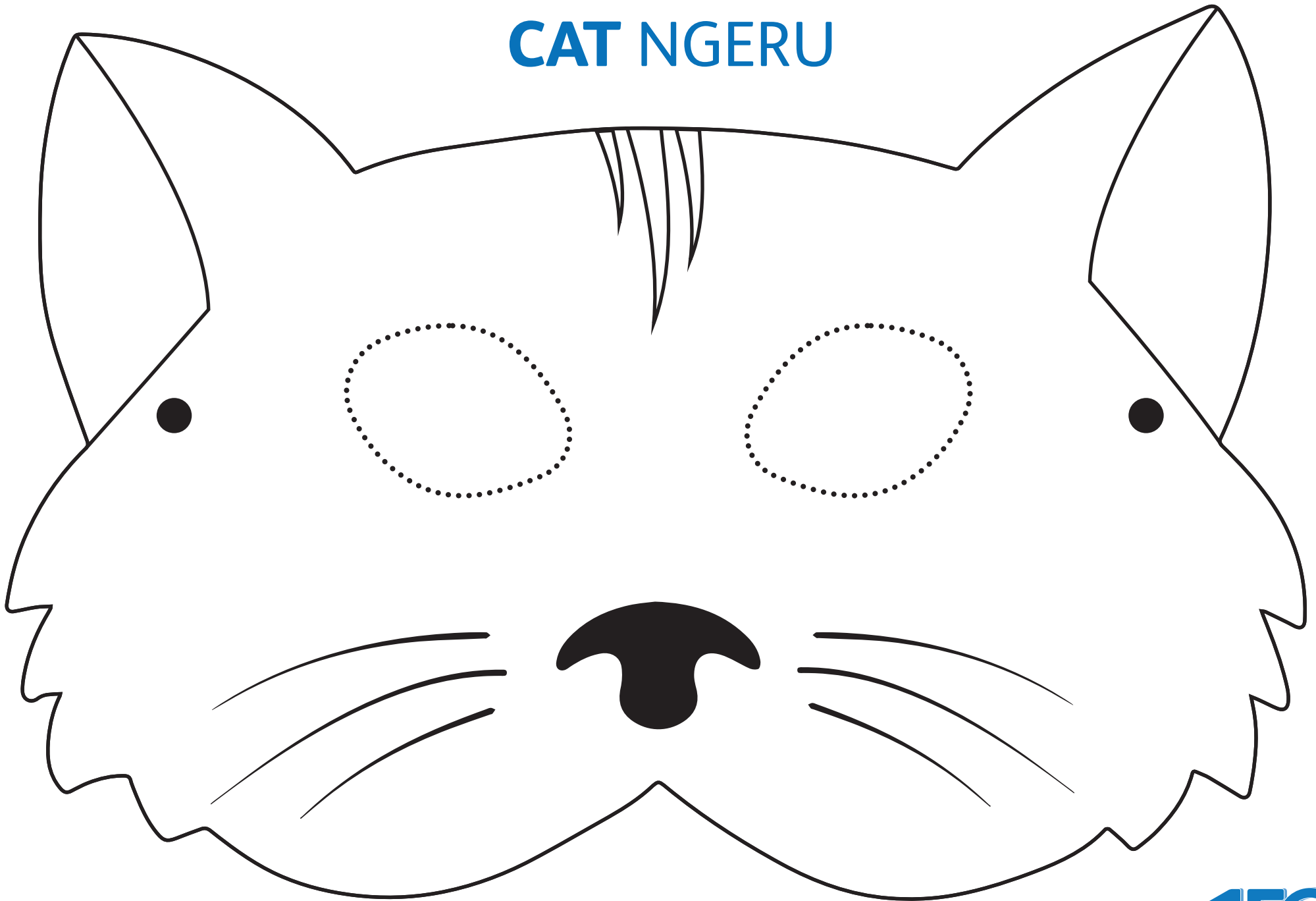


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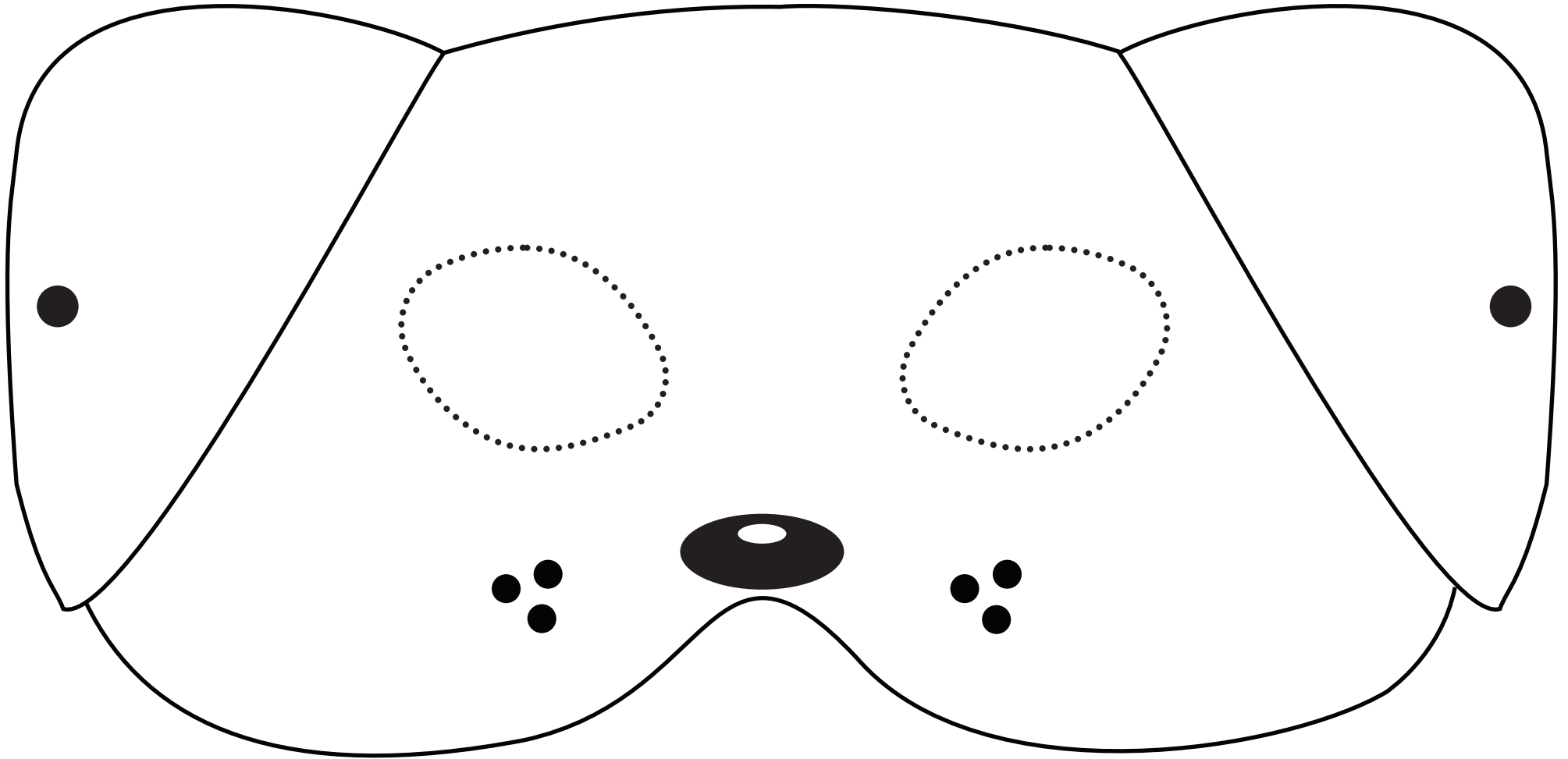


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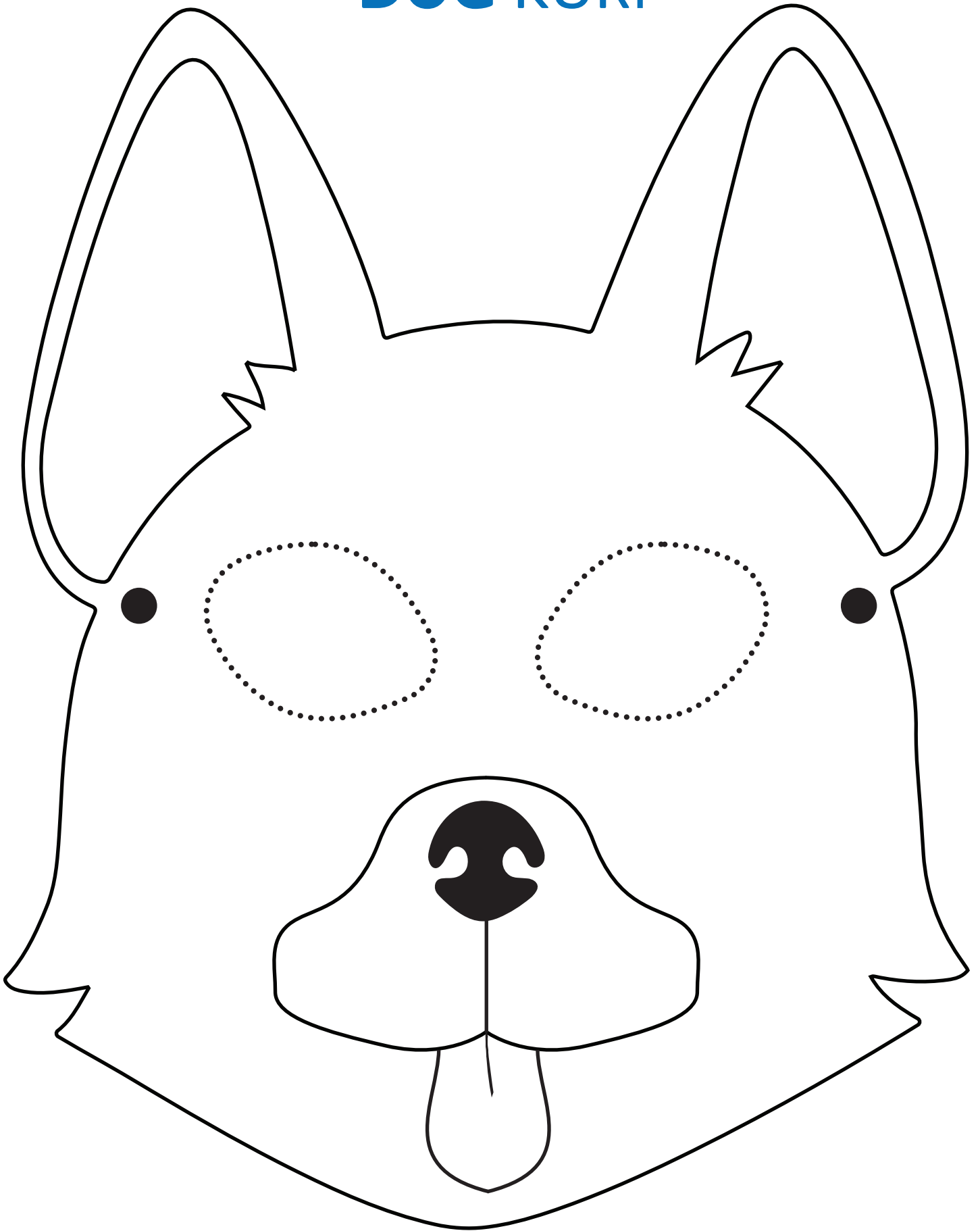
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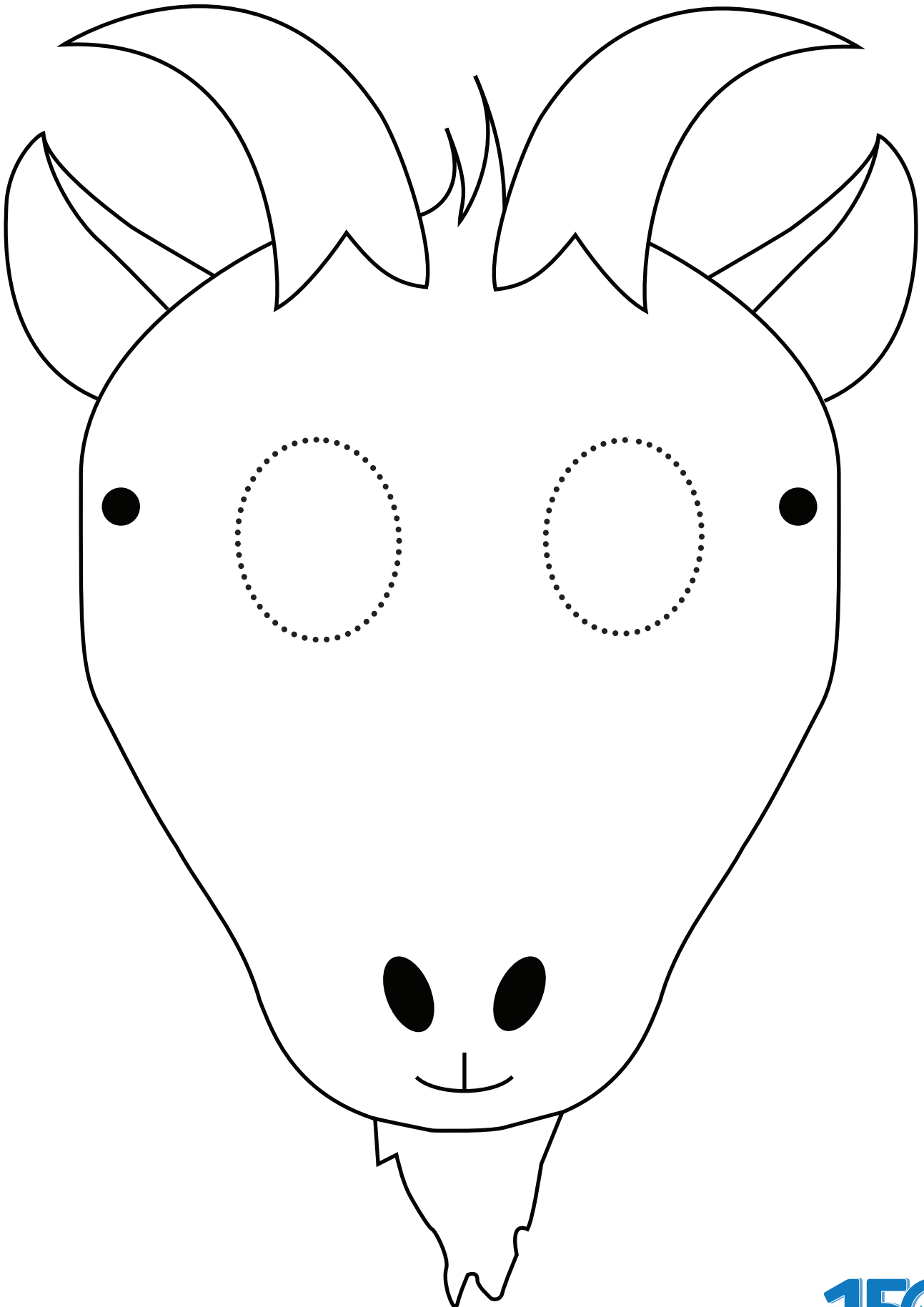
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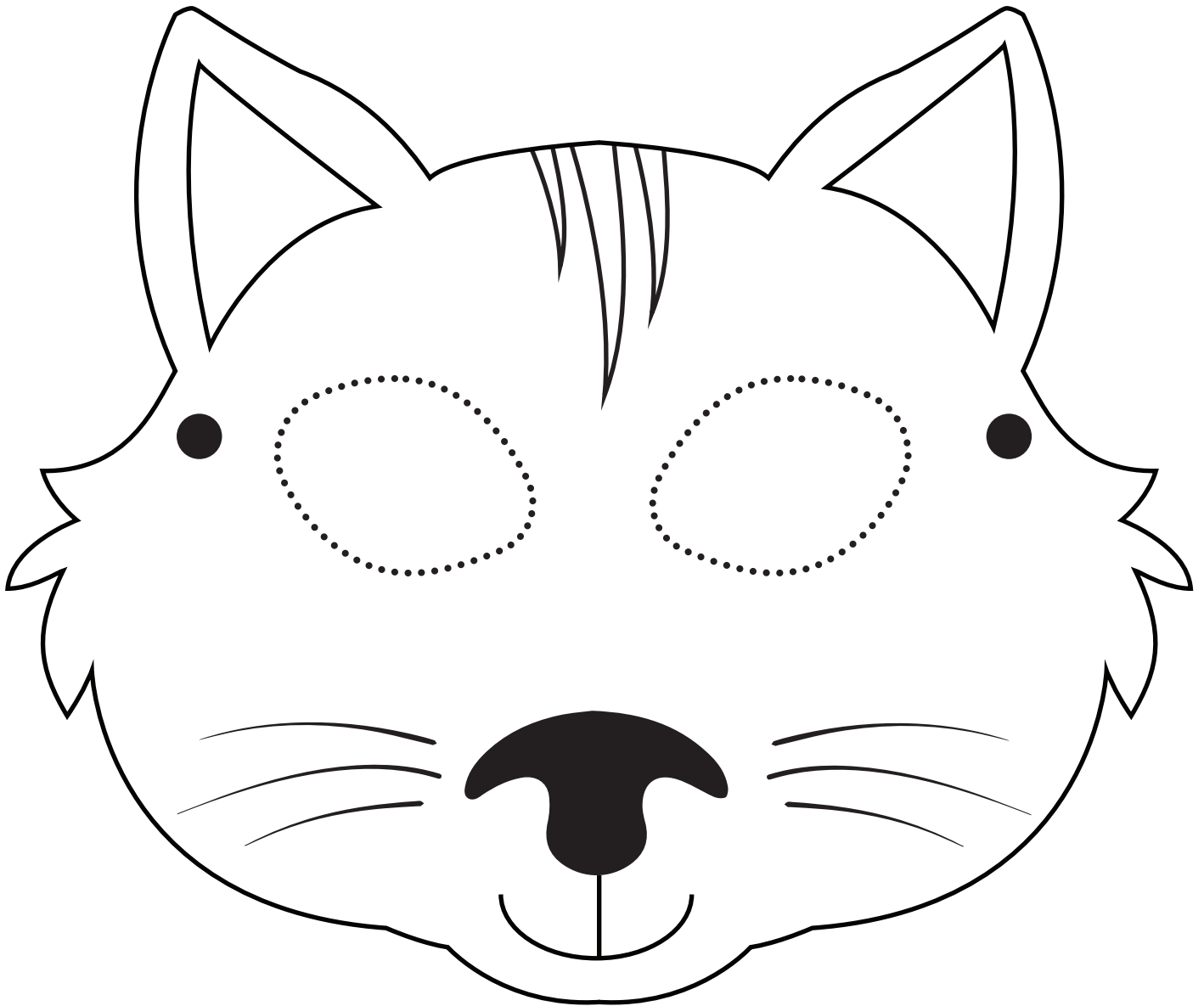
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RABBIT RĀPETI

