

# PETS' MEWS

The MewsPaper for Instagramming Pets, Plushies and their People

## A Big Question: And an Even Bigger Answer

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What we plushies can do best is listening. Listening is an exciting experience. It's like taking a journey into someone's heart. And every journey is worth it, simply because every heart hides magic somewhere that can leave us enriched. But when you talk to a person who has reached the end of life, listening becomes more than exciting. It becomes a gift. My name is Miu. I am one of twelve owl siblings, and I once had the privilege of receiving such a gift. Today I'd love to share this gift with you.

### That certain point in our lives

Why me? Why does it always have to happen to me? This is probably a question we all have asked ourselves at certain points in our lives. My family's certain point was this one:

It's 2013 and almost summer when Cecilia, whose name means "heaven", learns that she cannot be healed anymore from breast cancer. Cecilia is my human's mom. I'm devastated. "Why you? You're in the middle of your life; you are a mom and one of your children is a teenager who still goes to school; you're the kindest woman ever. You do not deserve this. Why does it have to be you?" Cecilia's immediate answer comes fast and naturally: "Miu, why NOT me?"

### Why not me?

This sentence is like an abstract work of art that I really don't understand. Cecilia finds this artwork beautiful, and she explains to me that it was called "Life" by its artist. That alienates me. I've never seen



life like that. It's a whole new perspective. But the longer I sit here on the couch with Cecilia looking at "Life", the more I begin to enjoy the view,



because I can see clearly from here: Why should tragedies only happen to others? Who are we to demand invulnerability? We are all just plushies. We are all just humans. No one of us is more special than the other. No one receives a special treatment by fate, not even those who are most special to us. I snuggle up to Cecilia and she smiles. I love being in her presence. She seems to be reconciled with life and its decisions. Her peace soothes me. So, the days go by. When she doesn't sleep, she prays or she tells me jokes. And I tell her jokes, too, without being afraid of an awkward silent moment. Cecilia is the only person in the world who laughs at my jokes. We sit on the balcony, share cake and chocolate milk, play with the little puppy who comes by from time to time ... and we talk a lot. Knowing that tragedies can happen any time to any one of us, doesn't frighten me anymore. It rather makes me feel deeply thankful for every normal day. Normality is peace.

I ask Cecilia if we will be able to go on talking after she has gone. "Of course, we will", she says and the certainty in her voice doesn't leave any doubts in me. I'm relieved. There is still so much to talk about.

### The other side

But one morning in December she didn't reply anymore. I held her hand and said: "I'm with you", hoping she would hear it.

It took a very long while until I heard Cecilia's voice again. I recognised it deep within me in a moment when I felt too small to fight for my big dream. "Why not you?" she said. "Why should it only be the others who make their dreams come true? You are just as special as they are." And I just stood there, quiet, looking at "Life" from that other beautiful point of view.



Hello Everyone,

Welcome to March's issue of Pets' Mews. We have a beautiful story by our lovely friends the Relaxing Owls [@ausruheulen](#). It made us cry, but with happy tears. A big thank you to them for sharing their story with us.

We find editing PM one of the best things ever - so many lovely inspirational, cuddly, stories from around the world - some are sad, some are fun, some are crazy - but all with plenty of heart and love that is unique to all plushies. [#plushiesbuildbridges](#) and we are proud to be part of this international plushie bridge building community! Why not share your story with us? It can be one close to your heart, a favourite recipe, a trip around your hometown, or a story of plushie-style mischief!

Don't forget to check out the round up of Good Mews Photos too. Many thanks and big hugs,

Tipsy xxx



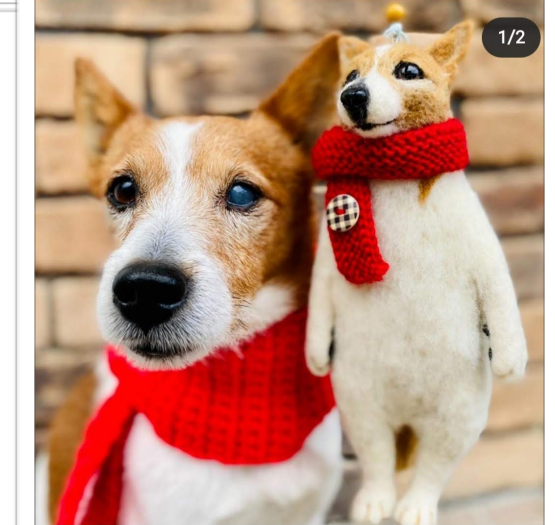
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## A round up of the happenings our Insta Plushie / Human-fur-

Heading into town, and [@kikilepetitsinge](#) (bottom left) has been taking advantage of the chilly, but sunny weather to go exploring in Washington DC. while [@asapan55](#) (top left) looks up and up and up at the Tokyo Skytree - the tallest structure in Japan, and [@honk\\_beep\\_the\\_penguin](#) (top right) has been checking out ice sculptures on Sparks Street. While in the country, [@zuzzalina](#) (bottom right) has found the perfect picnicking spot.



And in fashion news, [@Nicimi\\_biba](#) (left) looks royal for [@Fred\\_says\\_hello's](#) competition. And [@lucu0920](#) (right) has been twinning it in style!





Elsewhere, Rex @[vegan0saurus](#) (top left) tells us that the weather outside is frightful, but his igloo is warm and delightful, and it really looks it. Super-model Truffles @[nyc\\_the\\_boyz](#) (top right) is on a photoshoot with some lovely street art, and we can play spot the difference with Little Rosie @[life\\_with\\_little\\_rosie](#)



## Plushie Service Announcement by @boashki



Friends! We've already got tired of a long winter, chilly and gloomy days, grey landscapes, and the constant desire to sleep. We announce a restart of the legendary tag! Spring is in the air. In order for it to come to our houses and paint our days with bright colours, we suggest you do [#10 funny spring activities2020](#) that will come in special posts.

- Anyone can participate. Imagination and creativeness are welcome. Those who want to be the organiser of a particular activity, may try on the role of the "plushie on duty" and offer their spring activity.

- The rules of participation will be announced on Monday. Stay tuned and follow [@baran\\_travel](#) (top right) and [@alengkastsiukovich](#) (top right) to know more. Let's charge our solar batteries with a smile and by putting our muzzles up to the sun's still shy and gentle rays. Spring is coming, please welcome it!