



**SIT!: Clare Evetts and one of her pupils.**

**THREE** little piggies went to the top of their class at Berkshire Agricultural College, writes **Lucy Darke**.

The Kune-Kune piglets are being sent to training classes to learn how to sit, beg and roll over like puppies as part of a study by BAC student Clare Evetts.

They have been attending sessions since they were born in January as part of the project to compare the learning abilities and cultural status of piglets against pets.

At five weeks old, the piglets learned to sit and stand on command and now at 12 weeks they are touching targets with their snouts and walking on a lead.

Kune translates from Maori as fat and round, but Miss Evetts said: "They have a lovely temperament and are really responsive.

"I wanted to use the same approach that we use in puppy class – kind, motivational, non-punitive methods, using clicker training and then tailor it to meet their individual needs. The results have been fantastic."