

HOME & SCHOOL AGREEMENT

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1. Introduction

In order to make Waterside Primary Academy a safe, enjoyable and harmonious community for the children to learn in, it is vital that all stakeholders work together at all times. For this reason, we ask all parents/guardians and the children to agree to the following by signing and returning the attached agreement.

2. The School Agreement

The School will :-

- Provide a safe and happy environment for all children.
- Encourage children to do their best at all times.
- Provide an appropriate curriculum to meet the needs of all children.
- Achieve high standards of work and behaviour by providing opportunities for children to develop positive social relationships, self-esteem and a sense of responsibility.
- Ensure that all pupils are made aware that unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated.
- Be open and welcoming and offer opportunities for parents to be involved in the life of the school.
- Report formally on your child's progress each term.
- Provide homework to support the curriculum.

3. Parents'/Guardians' Agreement

The Parents/Guardians will:-

- Ensure that their child attends school daily throughout each school term, and arrives at 8.45am.
- Ensure that their child wears the correct school uniform at all times.
- Inform the school if their child is absent by telephone before 9.15am.
- Make the school aware of any concerns that might affect their child's work or behaviour as soon as they become apparent.
- Support their child's homework and ensure it is completed fully and to a high standard.
- Attend parents' consultations about their child's progress and school information meetings.
- Support the school's guidelines for behaviour, including reinforcing sanctions (e.g. payback) at home.

- Collect their children immediately when their behaviour has fallen below the expected standard (e.g. Fixed Term Exclusion).
- Respect all members of the school community, abiding by their policy of zero tolerance towards rude and aggressive behaviour.
- Support the school's approach to online safety, inlcuiding both parents/guardians not deliberately upload or add any images, video, sounds or text that could upset or offend any member of the school community.
- Ensure access to games and devices is restricted (particularly overnight).
- Ensure their children only have access to age-appropriate games, films and social media sites (e.g. Instagram). Parents/Guardians must also take responsibility for their children on these platforms, including any arising issues as they have chosen to ignore the rules around their use.
- Ensure their child gets enough sleep before school.
- Teach children manners, respect and positive behaviour.

4. Pupil Agreement

The pupils will:-

- Come to school regularly and on time.
- Wear full school uniform and be tidy in appearance.
- Do their school work and homework as well as they can and finish on time.
- Look after their school and surroundings.
- Follow class agreements and school rules.
- Be responsible for their own behaviour.
- Treat all members of our school comminity with respect and good manners.
- Demonstrate our behavioural values (E.A.R.S) in all that they do.

5. Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed alongside other relevant policies every two years.