



Home School Agreement 2017 - 2018

As a Church of England School our Christian faith places high emphasis on the value and worth of every individual, each with their own distinctive character, gifts and abilities. Christ's command to 'Love one another', John 13: 34-35, calls us to respect and help other people. This provides the foundation for our school and the excellence for all that we aim to achieve.

Love to live, live to learn, learn to grow.

Our Vision

Rooted in our Christian ethos we will provide the finest education, develop enduring values and instil ambitious life aspirations

Our Aims and Values

Our vision is underpinned by our belief in key aims and values which we have for all our children:

Spiritual and personal well-being and fulfilment

Respect for others and ourselves

Justice and global citizenship

The courage to strive for excellence and seek high aspirations in all we do

Therefore, at Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School parents can expect:

A Healthy and Safe Environment

- Children are well looked after and are safe.
- Children are treated fairly and are provided with equal opportunities.
- Children are provided with a happy, positive and stimulating environment where they are encouraged to grow in their journey of life and faith.
- Children are taught about what is healthy and are supported in making the right decisions based on this.
- Children respect themselves, their surroundings and others around them regardless of background or belief.

Outstanding Behaviour

- There exists throughout the school a very high standard of behaviour.
- Children are praised and rewarded for good behaviour and achievement.
- Children are treated with respect by others. Bullying at any level will not be tolerated.

Quality Teaching

- Children learn and are taught to the highest standard within a broad and balanced curriculum to ensure they achieve their full potential academically, spiritually and socially.
- Children work hard and have high aspirations in all they do.
- Children of all abilities have their needs recognised and addressed.
- Children's progress is carefully monitored and challenging targets are set and reviewed regularly.
- Children are encouraged to believe in their own abilities and their all-round development is nurtured.
- Homework is appropriate for the child in both content, quality and quantity.
- Children experience learning by embracing technology and innovations.

Parental Involvement

- Parental involvement is valued and encouraged.
- Parents are warmly welcomed when they come into school.
- Parents' views and opinions are respected.
- Parents have easy access to teaching staff and the Head of School.
- Parents are kept well informed about their child's progress through parent teacher consultation and reports. If any difficulties arise, parents will be consulted at an early stage.
- Parents are invited to school events and activities and kept informed through regular newsletters, Twitter and via text message of what is happening in school.
- Any differences of opinion are resolved through open and sensitive discussion.

Holy Trinity expects parents:

To work collaboratively with the school to develop a positive relationship based on mutual trust and respect and support policies by:

- Supporting the school's vision, aims and values.
- Ensuring that children attend school regularly and arrive on time (avoiding family holidays during term time).
- Ensure that each child arrives appropriately equipped for the school day.
- Supporting school policies related to uniform, P.E. clothing, shoes, jewellery and hair styles.
- Making sure that clothing and belongings are clearly named.
- Informing the school as soon as possible when a child is absent, preferably by 9.30 a.m. on the first day of an illness.
- Making sure that children go to bed at a sensible time on the evenings before school days.
- Attending and supporting formal and informal school events.
- Respecting the teachers and staff at all times by treating them in a courteous manner.

Homework

- Encouraging children to complete homework by providing a suitable environment and helping when appropriate as well as liaising with the teacher should any difficulties with homework arise.
- Ensuring that school books and equipment taken home are used carefully and are returned undamaged.
- Ensuring that children read regularly with their parents and/or other adults and that reading is recorded in reading logs.

Communication

- Telling the school of any matters which might affect their child's learning, progress, welfare or behaviour.
- Making sure that the school has up to date details of how parents can be contacted in case of an emergency and informing school of specific medical issues and allergies related to the child.
- Reading newsletters and notes from the school and checking school bags regularly for correspondence.
- Discussing any concerns promptly with the teacher and/or the Head of School in private.
- Respecting the teachers' role and the views of other professionals on teaching methods.
- Walking or biking to school if possible.
- Respect the residents and complying with parking restrictions in the car park and roads surrounding Holy Trinity if vehicles are used as a means of transport.
(Aggression and offensive language towards staff will not be tolerated and is not welcome at this school.)

Our School and parents expect children to:

Behave Well

- Respect, understand and abide by the school rules.
- Respect themselves and take responsibility for their actions.
- Treat other people and their views with tolerance and respect.
- Be courteous and good mannered.
- Respect their own belongings and those of others.
- Respect the school building and equipment.
- Understand and demonstrate the tenants of fairness, justice and equality.
- Represent the school with pride and integrity.
- Understand the value of being healthy by eating well and hydrating throughout the day.

Work Hard

- Demonstrate high aspirations through their attitude and work ethic.
- Set aspirational targets and do everything they can to achieve them.
- Try their best and take pride in the presentation of their work.
- Do their homework carefully and meet homework deadlines.
- Ensure reading logs are in school on a daily basis.

Keep their Parents informed

- Make sure they give parents letters and other correspondence from school.
- Tell their parents about their homework so they can discuss it and support them in its completion.
- Talk to their parents if they have any difficulties.

Help the Teacher to Help Them

- If something is not understood, ask the teacher.
- If something is worrying them, tell their teacher or a member of staff.

Anna Smith – Head of School

Signed (Child)

Signed (Parent/Caregiver)