

# Home/School Agreement 2024-2025

St Matthias Church of England Primary School



This policy was reviewed/updated by Virginia Beale and James Thompson and is reviewed annually by the Trust and the LGBs.

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Next Review: January 2025

Ratified by Local Governing Body: next meeting March 2025

In collaboration with



## School Vision

### ***ASPIRE, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE***

‘Our school family, values us all as unique individuals and children of God.

We **aspire** to be the best version of ourselves; **believing** that through the gifts God has given us, we can make a positive contribution, flourish and **achieve** together to make a difference in our ever-changing world.’

## Home – School Agreement

### **PARENTS AND CARERS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:**

- Ensure their child attends school every day, on time and phone or email school by 9:10a.m following our attendance policy, if they are absent
- Support the school’s policies, including the school’s positive behaviour strategy and relationships policy
- Make school aware of any issues that might affect the child’s work or behaviour
- Communicate respectfully through the school channels and never post negative comments on social media about staff, other pupils, parents or the school which may damage relationships or reputations.
- Take responsibility for the child’s social media use and ensure it does not impact on school life.
- Use Class Dojo as a means of communication between home and school. There is no expectation for staff to respond to Class Dojo messages after 6pm or before 8am.
- Support their child with homework and other opportunities for learning
- Attend parents’ evenings
- Ensure their child wears the correct school uniform, including Physical Education kit as listed in the school prospectus and on our school website and are well equipped for lessons
- Conduct themselves politely and appropriately whilst on school premises, or when in contact with school, behaving in a way that sets a good example to children.
- Support the respectful ethos of the school by setting a good example in their own speech and behaviour towards all members of the school community.
- Read our emailed weekly newsletter every week
- Work with the school to encourage good behaviour
- Complete a “Request for Absence” form for any days out of school, except illness.
- Avoid booking holidays during term time.

## **PUPILS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:**

- Demonstrate our Christian and British Values
- Attend regularly, arrive on time, wearing the correct uniform with the correct equipment
- 'Be the best version of themselves' - Work hard and expect to learn in every lesson, completing work to the best of their ability
- Follow the school rules of 'Ready, Respectful and Safe' and show respect to others
- Use technology in a respectful way that supports and maintains positive relationships.
- Are polite always eg. Please's and Thank you's & open a door to let an adult through first
- Respect the school building and equipment and leave rooms tidy after using them
- Be responsible for their own behaviour and accept the consequences if they break their classroom rules or school rules to 'be Ready, Respectful and Safe.'
- Tell someone if they have a problem

## **SCHOOL WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT WE:**

- Care for each child's safety and happiness
- Strive to ensure every child achieves their full potential
- Keep parents informed about their child's learning and progress
- Contact home to praise and reward pupils' success
- Contact home if there are concerns about a pupils' behaviour, effort or attendance.
- Provide a balanced, relevant and enriched curriculum in order to engender a love of learning
- Be welcoming and always available to listen to any concerns
- Provide regular communication and provide a Home School Agreement leaflet.
- Send regular letters and newsletters to inform parents what we are teaching
- Offer regular times when parents can meet their child's teachers
- Have informal communication with parents as and when they are needed.
- Send 'Class Dojo' messages via an app.
- Invite parents to assemblies, where parents can see their child receive awards or see their child performing and the child can also see parents watching proudly!
- Involve parents as much as possible in their child's learning and progress through parental engagement opportunities.

**Amendments made during review January 2025- to assist author with next review**

<b>Page no</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Heading</b>	<b>Text approved</b>
1	Bullet point 1	<b>PARENTS AND CARERS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:</b>	Addition: following our attendance policy
1	Bullet point 6	<b>PARENTS AND CARERS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:</b>	Addition: There is no expectation for staff to respond to Class Dojo messages after 6pm or before 8am.
1	Bullet point 9	<b>PARENTS AND CARERS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:</b>	Addition: on our school website
2	Bullet point 3	<b>PUPILS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:</b>	Alteration from 'Give of their best' to 'Be the best version of themselves' in line with our school vision.
2	Bullet point 4	<b>PUPILS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:</b>	Addition: Ready, Respectful and Safe'
2	Bullet point 8	<b>PUPILS WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY:</b>	Alteration: word 'take' to 'accept'
2	Bullet point 14	<b>SCHOOL WILL WORK TO ENSURE THAT WE:</b>	New bullet point: Involve parents as much as possible in their child's learning and progress through parental engagement opportunities.