



Hermitage Primary School

Focused on Excellence; Surrounded by Care

Home-School Agreement

(September 2022 – September 2024)

Our Vision

At Hermitage Primary School, we believe that successful partnerships between the School, the Parents/Guardians and the Pupils help each pupil to take full advantage of all that our school has to offer. We are determined to create an inclusive culture of learning where all children will be challenged in their thinking, to achieve to the best of their abilities and strive to become lifelong learners. This can be done most effectively when all staff, parents/guardians and children understand their responsibilities and work together towards the same goals, as detailed in our home-school agreement.

Together we will:

- Build strong foundations and partnerships which promote high standards of learning and behaviour
- Support the values and vision of the School
- Empower our children to take ownership for their learning and behaviour and become respected citizens
- Create a safe and happy environment that strives on developing the whole child and one which readily celebrates success!

As a School we will:

The Learning Environment

- Provide your child with a high standard of education, implemented by rigorous national guidelines, within a balanced and appropriate curriculum
- Ensure that our learning environment is stimulating and challenging
- Celebrate your child's academic and personal achievements
- Provide the scaffolding needed to enable your child to achieve their full potential
- Care for your child's safety and well-being by observation and listening to them
- Provide a caring and nurturing learning environment where your child is valued and listened to
- Expect high standards of behaviour and promote respect for all
- Provide effective means of communication between home and school and respond quickly to any enquiries or concerns
- Monitor your child's progress and provide advice and guidance over their learning
- Notify parents/Guardians of any concerns relating to their child's progress or conduct

A Happy, Healthy Community

- Teach your child to develop a positive attitude to one another, regardless of gender, race, culture, belief, values, age and need
- Encourage your child to become an active member within our community and help them to see how they can have an impact on the world around them
- Regularly meet with you to communicate the progress of your child, celebrating their strengths and explaining how we can support and scaffold them in their areas for development
- Provide information to you about our school, including relevant policies, meetings, workshops, activities, newsletters and open days
- Be very happy to welcome you if you would like to contribute to our school's broader curriculum. We recognise that the community of Hermitage Primary holds a wealth of talent, experience, diversity and enthusiasm that our school could benefit richly from

Homework

- Set differentiated and achievable homework to extend the curriculum and provide the opportunity for independent learning. Clear information will be provided so that you will be able to help your child if required
- Provide information and helpful training/workshop sessions for you that will give you confidence to support your child

As Parents / Guardians we will:

The Learning Environment

- Make sure that my child arrives at school by 8.35 am and collected by 3.15 pm each day
- Plan family holidays outside of term dates
- Make sure that my child is wearing appropriate school uniform
- Inform the school immediately of any absences related to sickness, appointments (all attempts should be made to arrange health appointments outside of school hours)
- Promote and discuss the values within our Caring Code, School Pledge and Manners, as well as VLT Values: Aspiration, Community and Equity

A Happy, Healthy Community

- Let the school know of any concerns or worries that may be affecting my child's learning, behaviour or ability to do homework, as this can then be resolved quickly
- Support the school by encouraging my child to develop a positive attitude towards our diverse, multi-cultural community
- Attend meetings with my child's teacher and other staff, aiming to be positive and productive, working towards moving my child on in their learning
- Support and work with you to ensure that the behaviour and discipline policies of the school are maintained, particularly with my child
- Encourage a positive attitude towards my child's education and our school. If I have any concerns, I will come and discuss them with you as it is much healthier to work out solutions and move on
- Read all information sent via email as this gives me important details of relevant policies, meetings, workshops, activities, newsletters and open days

Homework

- Support the school by making sure that weekly homework tasks including daily reading are completed and returned on time. A child who hasn't completed their homework is often an unhappy, worried one!
- Use my talents and experiences to enhance my child's learning at home – Your child will benefit greatly from what you can show them, discuss with them and teach them

As a pupil at Hermitage Primary School, I will:

- Respect other children's culture, race, feelings, beliefs and values
- Accept responsibility for the things that I do
- Be responsible for my school learning and complete my home work
- Ask for help if I need it and try my best in all that I do
- Ensure that I take home all school letters/information
- Commit to the school's Caring Code, Pledge and Manners
- Follow the school's Positive Behaviour Policy
- Be kind and speak politely to everyone in school
- Take good care of the building, equipment and school grounds
- Be helpful and behave in a safe and caring way
- Come to school on time each day, with the things I need
- Wear my school uniform with pride and be tidy in my appearance
- Tell a member of staff if I am worried or unhappy