

Thorndon CofE Primary School – Home School Agreement

At Thorndon Primary CofE School we aim to provide:

- a place where we 'Believe & Achieve'
- a secure environment in which children are happy
- a stimulating, varied and active curriculum
- all children with the ability to think at a deep level about how they learn and about what learning is
- appropriate challenge and support for all learners
- a school where all feel valued, leading to high standards of behaviour and mutual respect
- all our children with the confidence to make the right choices
- a close partnership between home, school and the local and wider community
- a Christian environment where children learn about other faiths and cultures
- an environment where we all respect and use our Rainbow Values.

To help us achieve these aims, we have developed a Home/School Agreement.

In this Agreement we have outlined:

1. The school's responsibilities in relation to its pupils
2. The parents' responsibilities while their child is registered at the school
3. The school's expectations of its pupils

The School will do our best to:

- Support your child's wellbeing and safety by providing a safe, supportive and caring environment
- Help and encourage your child to reach their full potential
- Monitor and communicate with parents and carers regularly on your child's progress
- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum that caters for all children, including when delivered remotely
- Promote high standards of behaviour so we can maintain a safe environment for all children
- Offer your child opportunities to develop a sense of responsibility, form healthy social relationships and build their self-esteem
- Set homework that supports the delivery of the curriculum and mark it where appropriate
- Offer opportunities for parents and carers to get involved in school life
- Communicate between home and school through notices, newsletters, text, email and the school website
- Respond to communications from parents in a timely manner, following school policies
- Encourage good attendance and address any concerns with parents or carers where necessary
- Ensure children are well taught, cared for and treated fairly
- Ensure concerns of families will be heard and discussed, and resolutions worked upon
- Ensure parents/carers are kept informed about the curriculum and are invited to be involved in school activities
- Ensure all parents/carers have regular opportunities to meet with their child's teacher.
- Ensure all parents/carers are given early warnings of any problems with their child's work or behaviour and that appropriate action will be taken in cases of misconduct or unauthorised absences

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Parents/carers will do their best to:

- Ensure my child attends school regularly and on time. I will notify the school office if my child will be absent.
- Collect my child on time at the end of the day (3:15pm or 4.15pm if my child is attending an afterschool club)
- Ensure my child is dressed in the correct uniform or PE kit on PE days. My children's clothing and personal equipment is clearly labelled
- Support the school to make sure my child maintains a consistently high standard of behaviour
- Encourage my child to try their best so they can reach their full potential
- Make sure that my child completes their homework on time, and raise any issues that my child has with their teachers
- Support the school's values and read and follow the school's policies
- Treat all members of the school community with care and respect
- Engage in parent/carer meetings and work together with the school in order to achieve the best outcomes for my child
- Read all communications sent home by the school and respond where necessary
- Ensure their actions promote the safety of ALL children
- Communicate to the school any concerns that I have about my child that may affect their behaviour in school or ability to learn
- Make sure communication with the school is respectful, and that I make every reasonable effort to address my communications to the appropriate member of staff
- Understand that I should communicate with staff during core school hours, and although they may at times respond outside of those hours, I can't always expect that

Parent/carers will ensure on social networking sites or other internet websites they do not: name or make reference to the school, staff, pupils or other parents; place pictures of pupils, staff or other parents taken during school events; refer to incidents, concerns or any other school business

Children will do their best to:

- Arrive at school on time and ready to learn
- Try my best to do my work and ask for help if I need it.
- Take pride in their learning at school and at home
- Wear the correct school uniform or PE kit (when I need it)
- Bring all the equipment I need each day
- Show respect, be friendly and caring towards other children and adults
- Listen to instructions from the adults at school and follow the school and class rules
- Do my homework and bring it back to school on time
- Look after the school equipment and be respectful of the school environment

By registering your child to attend Thorndon CofE Primary School, you fully agree to the content of the Home School Agreement.

Executive Headteacher: Mr Daryl Jones