



## **Blackpool Gateway Academy**

## Parent Partnership GUIDANCE

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## **Parent Partnership Policy.**

Research shows that involving parents and carers in their children's learning is the most important factor in enabling some children to do well regardless of background.

Blackpool Gateway Academy believes that for children to receive quality teaching and learning that suits their individual needs, parents and staff need to work together in a close partnership. We recognise that parents/carers play the fundamental role in a child's development as their first educators of when their children are young and our aim is always to continue their support throughout their primary education. The two-way sharing of information is key to this. We welcome parents as partners and a relationship that needs to be built on trust and understanding. It is important that we can support parents in an open and sensitive manner.

Blackpool Gateway Academy wishes to ensure parents have an active part of their child's education.

## Our policy is to:

- Recognise and support parents as their child's first and most important educators,
   and to welcome them into the life of school.
- Ensure all parents are signed up to our online apps: Class Dojo and My Child At School, where parents can log on and see examples of their children's learning and have a strong communication with school staff.
- Ensure school documentation and communications can be easily adapted to a format to suit individual parent's needs, e.g. multi-lingual and electronic communications.
- Welcome all parents into school.
- Ensure that all parents are aware of the school's policies and procedures. A parent
  prospectus will be provided, and our full policy documents will be available upon
  joining and is also accessible on the school's website.
- Maintain contact with parents to help us to build a secure and beneficial working relationship for their children.
- Support parents in their own continuing education and personal development and inform them of relevant conferences, workshops, and training.
- Create opportunities for parents to talk to other adults in a secure and supportive environment through parent forums and learning.
- Inform parents about school activities and events through regularly our school newsletters, Class Dojo and personal invites.





- Support two-way information sharing regarding each child's individual needs both in school and at home.
- Inform parents on a regular basis about their child's learning progress and raise any issues or concerns from a Social, Emotional, Mental Health and Wellbeing aspect.
- Consider and discuss all suggestions from parents from parent forums and provide feedback in a 'You said, We did' delivery.
- Provide opportunities and support for all parents to contribute their own skills, knowledge, and interests to the activities of the parent forum and classroom activities.
- Provide opportunities for parents to learn about the teaching and learning of key assessments, e.g. Y1 phonics, Y4 Arithmetic and Y6 English and Maths SATs.
- Provide a written contract in the form of a home-school agreement between parent(s), pupils and school.
- Respect the family's religious and cultural backgrounds and beliefs and accommodate any special requirements wherever possible and practical to do so.

Blackpool Gateway Academy aims to find out the needs and expectations of parents. These will be obtained through regular feedback via questionnaires and encouraging parents to attend the parent forums. These are then evaluated by the school to promote practice, policy and staff development.