

PARKLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

Home School Agreement

This is our school motto and it is at the centre of everything we do and believe in as a school. We want our pupils to learn as much as they can; respect their peers, teachers, support staff as well as people from other cultures; aspire to do what they want to be; and achieve as much as they possibly can, be that academic, non-academic or outside of the curriculum.

We believe that every child has the right to the very best education in a caring environment. As parents and carers, you expect an orderly school, where your child is educated in a calm and purposeful atmosphere. This agreement respects the partnership between parents and carers, students and school. It sets out the way in which we can all work together to achieve this, and it is in line with guidance from the Department of Education: Guidance for local authorities and governing bodies.

As a Parent/Carer I agree to:

1. Support school and all its policies, located on the school website, with particular attention drawn to the policies Anti-Bullying, Behaviour for Learning and Charging & Remissions
2. Ensure my child is in school every day on time, unless they are ill and report my child's absence from school promptly
3. Ensure my child wears the correct uniform and meets the school standards, and I fully support the sanctions in the schools Behaviour Policy if he/she fails to meet the school's standards
4. Not to take holidays during term time, as I understand this can have a serious impact on my child's progress
5. Provide the correct equipment for my child and encourage them to take responsibility for it
6. Ensure staff are informed of any problems which might affect my child's work, happiness or behaviour, my first port of call being my child's Form Tutor or House Achievement Leader
7. Advise school if I have any concerns as soon as possible via an appropriate method, such as email or phone call. I understand the use of social media is not an appropriate forum to raise any issues I have
8. Encourage my child to behave well, as I understand poor behaviour can affect my own child's learning and the learning of others in the class. I also understand that sanctions will be applied for poor behaviour, as detailed in the Behaviour for Learning policy
9. Support in exceptional circumstances same-day detentions for my child, as laid out in the Behaviour for Learning policy. We commit to inform parents via text message of the detention, wherever possible
10. Attend school for urgent meetings regarding my child, if school believes this is necessary
11. Work with the school if problems arise, as a home-school partnership is essential when solving any issues
12. Respect and value the school, its staff and environment
13. Provide an environment where my child can complete any homework set, or encourage my child to make use of school facilities after school
14. Communicate with and respond to information from school in a timely manner
15. Check my email account regularly for correspondence from school (as we are a paperless school)
16. Incurring the costs for any intentional damage my child may make to school property

Signed: _____ (Parent/Carer)

Relationship to child: _____

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As a student I agree to:

1. Follow all the school's rules, knowing breaking rules will lead to sanctions
2. Make the most of my time at school
3. Do all my homework
4. Come to school every day on time unless I am ill
5. Bring all the equipment I need every day, including my books and PE kit
6. Work hard and try my best in everything I do, knowing that I could be required to attend an after-school session to receive additional support if I ever fall behind
7. Talk to a member of staff when I am worried
8. Be polite and helpful to my peers and all school staff, knowing that certain behaviours (such as using bad language and illicit substances, for example cigarettes) will lead to sanctions, such as exclusion
9. Wear the correct uniform, knowing that incorrect uniform will lead to a sanction, as per the school's Behaviour For Learning policy
10. Make sure I do any homework set and return it on time, otherwise I will receive a sanction as per the school's Behaviour For Learning policy
11. Deliver letters and school information home
12. Look after my school and everything in it

Signed: _____ (Student)

As a school we agree to:

1. Ensure all our policies are adhered to
2. Make learning purposeful and enjoyable
3. Provide a safe and caring environment for your child
4. Support every child to achieve the best they can
5. Identify and meet the individual needs of children
6. Encourage good and prompt attendance and inform parents if we have any concerns
7. Be open and welcoming at all times
8. Listen to parents and take seriously any concerns they have
9. Have high expectations of good behaviour and be consistent in our approach
10. Make the policy on school uniform and standards clear and expect children to follow it
11. Provide activities to be completed at home when appropriate
12. Ensure parents/carers are kept well informed of any issues relating to their child. Communication will be via email, text, phone call or letter
13. Ensure parents/carers receive regular reports (6 per year) in the form of Behaviour for Learning reports and trackers
14. Enable children to become increasingly independent
15. Inform parents of same-day detentions wherever possible even when we are not legally obliged to do so

Signed: _____ (School)