

Home School Agreement – Statement of Partnership

Selwood aims to achieve a high-quality education in a safe and happy environment where all pupils can feel valued. The school seeks to reflect its joint Anglican and Methodist Foundations and our ambition is to allow our whole community to "let your light shine before others." This is underpinned by our Christian values of Hope, Wisdom, Community and Joy. Every act and decision that we undertake has this in mind.

In partnership we will strive to work together by committing to these aims:

Parents/Carers:

- Encourage their child to respect everyone and the environment.
- Encourage their child to do appropriate and relevant homework.
- Encourage their child to behave well on the journey to and from school.
- Encourage their child to attend school regularly and on time. I will notify the school if my child will be absent, by contacting the absence email or phone number at the required times.
- Make school aware of any concerns that might affect their child's work or well-being. This can be achieved by using the tutor/teacher emails here: <u>https://selwood.somerset.sch.uk/about-the-school/our-staff/teaching-staff-year-tutor2</u>
- Ensure their child follows school rules regarding uniform and general appearance as part of developing their identity with the school.
- Support my child in ensuring they have the right equipment, have adequate lunch arrangements in place and ensure their PE kit is taken to school as per their timetable and after school commitments.
- Accept that the school reserves the right to make challenge about what is and is not acceptable in terms of appearance or any variances in the school uniform especially as fashions change.
- Support the school's relationships for learning policy to make sure their child maintains a consistently high standard of behaviour.
- Encourage their child to try their best so they can reach their full potential.
- Uphold the guidelines outlined in the acceptable use policy regarding the use of social media and technology.
- Make sure communication with the school is respectful and that every reasonable effort is made to address correspondence to the appropriate member of staff. Find info here https://selwood.somerset.sch.uk/about-the-school/our-staff

The school:

- Support your child's well-being and safety by providing a safe, inclusive, supportive and caring environment where children can learn, know who to turn to in times of help and work to develop their full potential.
- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum that caters for all pupils and ensure they have work appropriate to their age and ability.
- Will review the relevance of policy and procedures annually or as per the frequency required.
- Commit to building effective parental engagement opportunities across the year. This will include open parent coffee mornings and social events in support of fundraising for the school and the wider local and national communities.
- Monitor the progress and achievement of each pupil and give feedback to both pupils and parents.
- Encourage good attendance and address any concerns with parents or carers where necessary.
- Ensure parents/carers are informed of issues of concern in a timely manner.
- Provide opportunities to discuss each pupil's academic and pastoral progress across the academic year in the form of Consultation Evenings or by appointment.
- Encourage all pupils to respect others regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- Provide a safe and secure location to listen to any pupil who wishes to discuss a problem that is causing them concern.
- Implement the relationships for learning policy by promoting high standards of behaviour and being clear with expectations to ensure we consistently maintain a safe environment for all our pupils.

Pupils:

- Show and maintain respect for themselves and for others.
- Attend school regularly and on time.
- Bring all the equipment that they are responsible for and needed for the day.
- Wear the school uniform and take pride in their appearance.
- Be courteous and considerate to others.
- Build positive relationships with all members of the school community and take responsibility for their actions.
- Do all classwork and homework to the best of their ability and ensure work is handed in at the agreed times.
- Try their best at all times to adhere to teacher instruction and not distract others so that they can get on with their own work.
- Will not eat in classrooms or outside when not permitted to do so. They will ensure they always dispose of their litter in the correct bins around school.
- Take care of property, equipment and the environment. (Including their own and that belonging to the school). If they see this not being adhered to or they see property being damaged, they will bring it to the attention of a member of staff straight away.
- Talk to a staff member that they trust about any problems that might affect their work or behaviour.
- Adhere to the rules outlined in the acceptable use policy regarding the use of social media and technology.

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