

Home School Agreement – Statement of Partnership

By choosing to send your child to Selwood Academy, you are agreeing to our Home/School Agreement. Please read this carefully.

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 will:

- Ensure my child is kind, work hard, do their best and accept nothing less.
- Support the school's Christian ethos and values of Hope, Wisdom, Community, and Joy.
- Encourage my child to respect everyone and the environment.
- Encourage my child to do appropriate and relevant homework.
- Encourage my child to behave well on the journey to and from school.
- Encourage my 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.
- Ensure the school is kept informed of any changes to emergency contact details, medical needs, or family circumstances.
- Make school aware of any concerns that might affect my child's work or well-being. This can be achieved by emailing your tutor or contacting the school directly.
- Ensure my child follows school expectations 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 challenge variances to our agreed school uniform (can be found in our relationships for learning policy)
- Support the school's relationships for learning policy to make sure my child maintains a consistently high standard of behaviour.
- Make every effort to attend Consultation Evenings and other meetings to discuss my child's progress.
- Encourage my 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 will:

- Ensure the pupils are kind, work hard, do their best and accept nothing less.
- 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.
- Provide appropriate support and resources for pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) to ensure they can access the curriculum.
- Recognise, reward, and celebrate the academic and personal achievements of your child.
- 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 positive news and 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 (protected characteristics).
- 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.
- Provide pupils with loaned uniforms, including shoes, if they are wearing incorrect items and tutors will inform parents should their child have any uniform infringement.

Pupils will:

- Work hard, be kind, do my best and accept nothing less.
- Show and maintain respect for myself and for others.
- Report any unkindness I witness to a trusted member of staff.
- Move around the school site safely, calmly, and with consideration for others.
- Attend school regularly and on time.
- Bring all the equipment that I am responsible for and need for the day.
- Wear the school uniform and take pride in my appearance. I accept that any clothing items that are not permitted will be confiscated and I can collect these from the Compass Centre at the end of the school day.
- Be courteous and considerate to others.
- Build positive relationships with all members of the school community and take responsibility for my actions.
- Continue to follow the school rules when representing the school in the local community.
- Do all classwork and homework to the best of my ability and ensure work is handed in at the agreed times.
- Try my best at all times, adhere to teacher instruction and not distract others so that they can get on with their own work.
- Ask for help from my teachers when I do not understand my work.
- Not eat in classrooms or outside when not permitted to do so. I will ensure I always dispose of my litter in the correct bins around school.



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- Take care of property, equipment and the environment. (Including my own and that belonging to the school). If I see this not being adhered to or I see property being damaged, I will bring it to the attention of a member of staff straight away.
- Talk to a staff member that I trust about any problems that might affect my work or behaviour.
- Selwood is a mobile phone free site. If pupils decide to bring a phone into school this will be locked in a secure pouch that blocks all signals to the phone. The pouch stays in the bottom of pupils' bags and will be unlocked at the end of the school day by a member of staff.