



St. Luke's Academy Home School Agreement

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“This Home School Agreement is designed to support strong partnerships between St. Luke’s Academy and parents/carers by setting down clearly each party’s responsibilities and expectations”

St. Luke's Academy undertakes to provide:

- A welcoming and safe environment where pupils and staff are happy.
- A broad and balanced curriculum, appropriate to the needs of each pupil.
- A high standard of teaching and the expectation that all pupils will achieve results in line with their abilities.
- Induction support when a pupil joins the academy.
- Regular opportunities for parents/carers to discuss their child's progress with their subject teachers.
- One full written report each academic year – three summary reports each academic year.
- Opportunities for pupils to participate in extra-curricular activities, including sports teams, and educational visits both within the UK and outside.
- To monitor pupils' performance regularly and let parents/carers know of any concerns that affect their child's work or behaviour.
- To keep parents/carers informed about academy activities through letters and newsletters.
- An invitation to parents to contact the academy about any concerns they have and provide them with relevant information about any matters arising.
- To encourage parents/carers to have a positive input into the academy.
- To work with parents and other agencies as and when necessary for the benefit of the child.
- To inform parents of any accidents or illness during school time.
- To ensure that school remains safe for pupils, staff and parents by removing from the premises any visitor who threatens or assaults anyone, or persists in abusive behaviour. Such individuals may be prosecuted.
- To support parents, carers and the wider family in the understanding of their child's development and needs.
- To act in your child's best interests at all times.

The pupil will:

- Understand and apply St. Luke's values which are: Respect, Kindness and Perseverance
- Work to the best of their ability and encourage others to do the same.
- Be a reliable, responsible and involved member of the academy community.
- Respect all members of the academy including staff, pupils and visitors.
- Actively discourage any form of bullying both verbal and physical.
- Respect the property of the academy and fellow pupils.
- Be ready in time for the taxi to collect them and attend St. Luke's Academy every day.
- Take responsibility to wear the correct school uniform

We expect Parents/Carers to agree that they will do all they can to ensure that their child:

- Understands that the academy expects the highest standards of work and behaviour from them.
- Attends the academy at all required times, and is not absent for reasons other than ill health and for circumstances agreed with the academy.
- Maintains the highest standards of behaviour whenever s/he is on academy-related activities in the public domain.
- Is aware of and adheres to the Academy Code of Conduct and the Academies' Classroom Expectations.
- Understands that loss or damage to academy equipment and property used by them is their responsibility.

We ask that parents/carers also:

- Telephone the academy on the first day of any unexpected absence their child may have, explaining the nature of the absence and the length of time their child is likely to be away from the academy.
- Ensure they have read the Academy's Behaviour policy, understanding and supporting physical interventions.
- Ensure that all academy documents are returned promptly.
- Ensure that their child attends the academy regularly.
- Let the academy know about concerns or problems that might affect the child's work or behaviour.
- Attend EHCP's/ Annual Reviews, reintegration meetings, Academic Review Days and any discussions about their child's progress;
- Sign up and proactively use Parentmail, as this is our preferred way of notifying all parent/carers with relevant information concerning your child.
- Encourage their child's learning.
- Be available to receive their child in the event of an emergency closure of the academy, exclusion or their child being unwell.
- Where relevant, ensure all medication are sent to school with up to date protocols.

All parents are invited to join staff in setting a good example for our children by not:

- Using social network sites to make derogatory comments or posting photographs; including making comments about pupils, other parents, other staff members, the senior leadership team, governors, local authority or the wider community.
- Posting photographs of other people's children on social network sites without their permission.

Unless you tell us otherwise we will assume that you accept the contents of the Home School Agreement. If you wish to discuss any aspect of the Agreement please contact Mrs Judith Buckingham, Principal on 01793 705566 or by email jbuckingham@stlukes.swindon.sch.uk. Alternatively, in writing to St. Luke's Academy, Cricklade Road, Swindon, SN2 7AS