



# St Mary's

**One Family – Achieving more together**

## **Home School Agreement 2021-22**

At St Mary's CE Junior School, we believe that children learn best in a happy, secure and orderly environment because of their own positive attitude and that of the adults and children around them.

Our Christian values are at the centre of all that we do. Our core Christian Value is Love. In our school this is described in terms of being One Family, where each member is encouraged to love and respect themselves, others, God and his world. As a school, we explore and uphold several other Christian values to support the understanding and fulfilment of our core value, these are compassion, hope, curiosity and perseverance. The development of our Christian values is supported by the values of respect and responsibility, which link closely to pupils understanding of their rights as outlined in the United Nations Convention for the Rights of the Child,

Within school we encourage children to take responsibility for how they act both in terms of their behaviour and learning; understanding that how well they do is their own responsibility as well as their teachers' and parents'. Through this they will develop as citizens who both take on this responsibility and show respect for others both inside and outside of school.

**Children have the right to an education and the responsibility to allow others to receive theirs.**

School agree to:

- Provide the highest quality of teaching and learning through a well planned, broad and balanced curriculum
- Enrich learning through innovative teaching
- Keep parents informed about their child's progress through regular contact
- Keep parents informed through the use of Parentmail and the school website
- Inform parents of the teaching aims for the year

Parents agree to:

- Take an active role in the education of our child
- Ensure that our child arrives at school well prepared and ready to learn
- Support our child with homework activities and other opportunities for home learning
- Attend parents' evenings to discuss our child's progress and come in on other occasions to speak to the teacher as and when is necessary

Children agree to:

- Embody the Christian value of perseverance when faced with a challenge
- Attend school ready to learn and with a positive attitude
- Take an active role in school life
- Know that I am able to speak out about issues that concern me – making these known through school council/or other means
- To make the most of opportunities by demonstrating curiosity and enthusiasm

**We have the right to be respected and the responsibility to show respect to others.**

School agree to:

- Uphold our core Christian value of love as 'One Family'
- Treat all children with dignity and respect, always encouraging them to do their best
- Socially educate children encouraging them towards independence with appropriate guidance
- Prepare children, in a caring Christian atmosphere, for life in a multicultural society by teaching them tolerance and respect for others

Parents agree to:

- Uphold the school's core Christian value of love as 'One Family'
- Encourage our child to do their best and reach their full potential
- Prepare our child for life in a multicultural society by teaching them tolerance and respect

- Support the Christian ethos of the school by supporting our child to develop as a responsible citizen; respecting themselves and others

Children agree to:

- Uphold our core Christian value of love as 'One Family'
- Look for opportunities to contribute to the enjoyment of others and myself at school
- Persevere in my learning, trying my best and seek help when I need it
- Respect myself and others and my environment

**We have the right to be safe and secure and the responsibility to help to ensure the safety and security of others.**

School agree to:

- Set and maintain high standards of behaviour treating all with equal opportunity
- Provide opportunities to live a healthier life
- Follow up any absences in a timely fashion

Parents agree to:

- Ensure that our child attends school regularly and inform school on the first day of absence
- Understand and reinforce the school's policies on behaviour
- Support the school in reducing traffic congestion by walking to school whenever possible and parking courteously

Children agree to:

- Maintain high levels of courtesy and behaviour
- Lead a healthy lifestyle – exercising and eating well
- Be motivated to reduce traffic by walking to school as often as possible

Signed:

Name:

Pupil

Signed:

Name:

Parent /Guardian

Signed:

Name: C Welch

Headteacher

**PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER**