

Sharmans Cross Junior School

HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

At Sharmans Cross we want everyone to feel valued, to feel respected whatever their differences and to respect difference in others. Everyone should have a voice. Everyone should contribute significantly to their own learning and development and confidently make their own decisions. We encourage everybody to reach their full potential.

These ideals will be evident through a positive atmosphere. There will be positive body language, the asking of positive questions and positive listening. Feedback will be positive, whether it is being received or given. There will be humour and clarity of communication with people expressing themselves clearly in a variety of media, sharing ideas and listening to the opinions of others. We will expect to see work in pairs and groups stimulating positive speaking and listening skills and time for reflection, evaluation and enthusiasm. We will want to see a broad range of teaching and learning activities inviting both thoughtfulness and risk and leading to a celebration of progress and achievement.

In order to make this vision a reality we will as individuals make these ideals our priority. We will model between ourselves the behaviours that we want to see in others. We will make time to talk to each other and to others. We will display our beliefs by following policy and asking everyone their opinion. We will discuss and share ideas openly and listen and accept the opinions of all. We will say hello and smile at everyone we meet.

The school will provide:

- A safe, well ordered, caring environment where learning can take place
- A place where each pupil is valued as an individual
- A range of opportunities and challenges to enable pupils to achieve their full potential
- Regular information about progress and performance
- Opportunities to express views on wider school issues
- Work of a suitable standard for each child to that they can engage with the work and be challenged by it
- Opportunities for parents to discuss their child's progress, conduct and achievements and to provide an annual written report.

Parents should:

- Maintain regular and punctual attendance
- Notify the school on the first day of absence

- Avoid requesting holidays in term time and if necessary have them authorised by school
- Encourage effort and achievement
- Encourage completion of homework and return it to school
- Support the school Code of Conduct and guidance necessary to ensure smooth running of the school
- Participate in discussions concerning progress and attainment
- Ensure correct school uniform is worn

Children should:

- Listen carefully to all instructions given by an adult
- Ask for further help if they do not understand
- Participate fully in all lessons
- Treat themselves, others, their work and equipment with respect
- Talk to others without shouting, use language which is neither abusive nor offensive
- Hand in homework properly completed and on time
- Wear correct uniform smartly

Outside of class:

- Pupils should always act in ways, which bring credit to the school
- Pupils should behave in an appropriate manner at lunch times
- Pupils should not bring valuable items in to school as school cannot be responsible for their safety.

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