

Home -School Agreement

Our Home -School agreement, details St Columba C of E's aims and values, the school's responsibilities towards our children, the responsibility of each pupil's parents; and what we expect of our pupils.

The school will:

- Create a safe, happy and positive learning environment
- Teach and encourage children to be safe physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually
- Educate internet safety and wellbeing
- Foster confidence to enable children to report any concerns

Children will:

- Use their learning to help them to feel confident to make positive choices and wise decisions
- Learn to be themselves, to question, grow and learn with consideration
- Communicate any feelings of concern they have with adults who they trust and who can help them

Parents will:

- Work in partnership with the school to develop wellbeing and support practice outlined in the Health & Safety, Child Protection, Physical, Social & Health/Sex Education and Behaviour for Learning policies.
- Monitor and ensure safe and appropriate use of the internet and social media at home

Secure
Children

Talented
Children

The school will:

- Support the children in developing their learning and practise skills to develop talents
- Provide opportunities to share talents and interests and celebrate effort and success
- Promote curiosity, creative thinking and the desire to learn new skills

Children will:

- Explore learning and just being themselves
- Recognise their raw talents and practise new skills
- Learn from and with others to develop new skills
- Have a go!

Parents will:

- Support the school by allowing their children to engage in a variety of enrichment and curriculum opportunities
- Share their talents and interests with the children in school to enhance provision
- Attend school events, when possible, to support and celebrate achievements

The school will:

- Provide the very best education to enable children to achieve their personal best
- Communicate what children do well and what they need to improve
- Ensure learning is focused through a broad and balanced curriculum
- Develop skills in a wide range of subjects and prepare learners for the next stage in their lives

Children will:

- Work to have big dreams and believe they can achieve them
- Work hard in all areas of the curriculum to achieve their personal best
- Take responsibility for achieving their targets

Parents will:

- Ensure their children read at least 5 times per week, learn their timetables and support homework that allows them to practise core skills taught in the classroom
- Discuss and share classroom learning to enhance it further at home
- Celebrate academic success and school achievements

Ambitious
Children

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Responsible Children

The school will:

- Educate the children about their Rights and Responsibilities in school and in the wider world
- Teach children about diversity and its impact on society
- Teach children how to be respectful of others and to challenge injustice in society

Children will:

- Value Rights, Respect and Responsibilities (RRR)
- Respect others and including differences in lifestyle, views and opinions
- Know their Responsibilities and ensure they carry them out
- Be open-minded and learn about other peoples' cultures, beliefs and lifestyles
- Take Responsibility and accountability for their words and actions

Parents will:

- Talk to their children about current issues in our society
- Encourage children to be open-minded and respectful of others
- Parents to model responsible behaviours and speak to staff with respect.
- Discuss what they have learnt at school and explore thought and opinions
- Support the school in ensuring the children carry out their Responsibilities both at home, in school and in the wider community

The school will:

- Foster positive behaviours for learning, developing the children's skills of exploration, evaluation, perseverance, independence, collaboration, challenge and creative thinking
- Develop the skills and personal qualities for living, contributing to and functioning effectively in a multi-racial, multicultural and multi-faith society
- Consistently apply our Behaviour for Learning policy through appropriate praise and sanctions
- Provide differentiated and personalised opportunities for children to develop effective interpersonal and social skills

Children will:

- Develop their interpersonal skills socially and academically
- Demonstrate positive attitudes towards their learning and relationships in school
- Respectfully question and challenge to establish a personal viewpoint
- Following the school's Behaviour for Learning policy, showing respect for the environment and the people in it

Parents will:

- Model and support exemplar interpersonal skills to promote positivity
- Communicate circumstances at home that may inhibit their child's ability to 'get along' or learn socially, emotionally and academically
- Support the school in implementing our Behaviour for Learning policy in order to develop positive role models and citizens

Skillful Children

Love

Respect

Hope

Please sign and return the enclosed reply slip.