

Halstead Community Primary School

# Home School Agreement



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## 1. Rationale

At Halstead CP School we recognise each pupil as an individual, and aim to give all pupils every opportunity to realise their full potential. We believe that a firm partnership between the school, parents, and pupils is essential if we are to achieve this aim. We therefore ask all parents and pupils to enter into our Home-School Agreement with us.

## 2. Responsibilities of the school

As a school we will:

- Provide a secure, happy, and stimulating learning environment
- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum that challenges pupils to reach their potential and fulfils the requirements of the National Curriculum
- Encourage pupils to keep our school rules and reward appropriately
- Actively discourage all forms of bullying and discrimination, and respond quickly to any bullying issues.
- Keep parents informed about what we aim to teach our pupils
- Encourage pupils to become confident, take risks, and to be unafraid to make mistakes when learning
- Give parents regular information about their child's progress, including consultations and an annual written report
- Set appropriate home-learning tasks for pupils
- Make parents and visitors feel welcome whenever they visit the school
- Respond to parents' questions, concerns or complaints as quickly as possible and in the most appropriate manner
- Offer a range of extra-curricular activities to broaden pupils' interests and experiences
- Encourage and support parents who wish to make a positive contribution to school life

## 3. Responsibilities of parents/carers

As parents/guardians we will:

- Accept the school's aims and objectives and positively support the school
- Ensure that their child attends school punctually every day during term time, unless there is a good reason for absence
- Notify the school by telephone, by 9.00am at the latest if their child is going to be absent from school
- Speak to their child's teacher at the end of the school day rather than at the beginning
- Comply with the school's uniform code and make sure all clothing, including PE kit, is named
- Attend parent consultations to discuss their child's progress
- Support their child with home-learning that is set, including reading
- Support the school's Behaviour Policy
- Keep the school informed about changes to their contact details
- Inform the school of any concerns or problems that may affect their child's learning, behaviour or happiness at school as soon as possible
- Read any information sent home from school and respond if necessary
- Encourage and support their child in joining extra-curricular activities

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### 4. Responsibilities of pupils

As pupils we will:

- Work hard and concentrate fully in our lessons
- Follow the school and class rules at all times
- Be friendly, helpful and kind to everyone we meet at school
- Be honest
- Complete our home learning, including reading records, on time
- Ensure that newsletters are taken home and reply-slips returned
- Let an adult know if we have a problem or if something goes wrong
- Ensure we pay attention to e-safety guidance at all times