

Southwold Primary School
And Early Years' Centre



Home-School Agreement



The purpose of the Home-School Agreement is to strengthen the partnership between parents/carers and school to maximise children's learning, happiness, confidence, self-esteem and well-being.

We believe that by working together we can create the right environment for all pupils, which allows them to develop in the way and at a pace appropriate to their individual needs. This will ultimately result in them feeling supported, encouraged and valued leading to success.

Our Vision & Core Values

At Southwold Primary School we aim to ensure that all pupils develop academic excellence, talents, creativity and leadership skills so they achieve their potential as responsible global citizens of the future.

The school will aim to:

- Offer a broad and balanced curriculum which is stimulating, meets the needs of every child and reflects our community and world
- Help children to progress as much as possible by setting appropriate work and homework
- Monitor attendance and punctuality. Inform parents if children are regularly late or absent. Take further action, following school attendance policy if necessary.
- Set clear expectations about the highest possible standards of behaviour and let parents know if there are any significant problems with their child's behaviour
- Listen to children's problems and be available to listen to parents. Ensure there is appropriate support and advice given
- Provide equal opportunities for all our children so they can reach their full potential academically, socially and morally.
- Celebrate the cultural diversity of our children and support learning by visiting places of worship and listening to visitors in school
- Stop bullying and racism and any other actions that show disrespect or intolerance towards others
- Be committed to promoting a community of mutual courtesy and respect
- Work in partnership with parents communicating in a variety of ways about the progress of their child
- Provide a warm welcome so that parents and carers know that the school values their contribution to school life and their child's education
- Take reasonable steps to ensure the safety, happiness and self-confidence of all our children

Parents /Carers: I / We will:

- Support the school aims
- Ensure my child arrives for school and is collected after school on time, having had enough sleep and breakfast
- Notify school if another parent or family member is picking my child up from school
- Ensure that no-one under the age of 16 picks my child up from school
- Ensure my child achieves a high level of attendance and is not taken out of school during term time
- Notify school of any absence via phone call, email, letter or in person on the first day of absence (Absences will only be authorised if school has a valid reason from you)
- Support the work my child is doing at school and ensure homework is completed
- Listen to my child read and fill in the home school diary
- Ensure my child wears the correct uniform every day and has a P.E and swimming kit
- Respect the cultural diversity in the school
- Work in partnership with the school through mutual courtesy and respect and adhere to the parent code of conduct
- Support school policies and encourage my child to behave well
- Let the school know if there's anything happening at home which might affect my child's behaviour
- Help school in whatever way we are able
- Attend parents meetings and keep myself informed of my child's progress

Pupil I will:

- Attend school every day and arrive on time unless I am too ill to come to school
- Go to bed on time and get up early enough to have breakfast and get to school on time
- Behave well and follow the school rules
- Make sure I wear the school uniform every day and bring my P.E. and swimming kit to school when needed
- Work hard in my own space without disturbing others
- Read at home, complete homework and hand it in on time
- Respect all pupils and adults in school and treat them fairly
- Learn about different religions and cultures and take part in visits or activities so that I can learn more
- Look after the school building and property
- Ask for help when needed and tell an adult if I am worried about anything like bullying, school work or adults
- Always try my best

This agreement is in place from when a child is admitted into Southwold Primary School and Early Years' Centre. It is necessary in order for school and home to work in partnership to provide high expectations and aspirations for all pupils – of both work attitudes and effort, and behaviour.

★ Photograph Agreement ★

Parents need to complete this photograph permissions slip.

Parents can choose the level of permission they give for photographs of their child to be shared.

Please tick the appropriate box below to show your level of agreement:

A = Within school and the wider community, for example, on the school website, school App, associated websites (e.g. Food 4 Life), Twitter and local press

B = Within school and on the school website and school App

C = Photograph of child shared within school only, for example, on learning journeys, displays

D = I do not want my child's image used at all within school

FOR EARLY YEARS' ONLY

I give permission to allow photographs of my child playing throughout EYC with their friends to be used in their own and other children's learning journeys

Parents are allowed to take photographs and videos of their children during school assemblies and events, but must agree to not share photographs of these events, nor share photographs of children other than their own participating in these events, including on social media sites.

We agree to abide by the Southwold Photograph Agreement and not share photographs of school events, nor share photographs of children other than our own participating in these events, including on social media sites.

Signed(on behalf of the whole family)

Name Date

★ Local Trip Agreement ★

We often go into the local community for outdoor learning experiences or for trips to support our curriculum. e.g. St. Peter's Church, Jubilee Campus, Wollaton Park, etc. This is our 'Extended Learning Area'. Please sign below to agree to your child being taken out into the Extended Learning Area on occasion,

Signed..... Date

This Home School Agreement will continue as an agreed document throughout your child's journey through Southwold Primary. Should you wish to change any of the permissions, please see a member of the school office. Thank you.