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Headteacher Mr. R. Averis B.Sc. P.G.C.E. N.P.Q.H.



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: Home – School Agreement – September 2023

We have in place a Home-School Agreement for the carers of our pupils to consider and sign.

We believe our Home School Agreement deals with all of the main areas of concern for both the family and the school. We have used the guidance documentation provided by Derbyshire Local Education Authority and the Department for Education and Employment (DfE) in preparing the document.

Although the document itself has no legal standing and non-signature of the Agreement **would not** debar a child from attending St. John's School, we believe it is important to establish clear expectations from the outset of your son/daughter's education and we would hope that you would support us in this by signing.

Please note that 2 copies of the Home-School Agreement are appended – one, on the back of this sheet for you to keep and one on a separate sheet to return to school.

You will note an opportunity for your comments regarding the format and issues raised by this agreement. Do feel free to comment upon any aspect of it if you so wish.

Please contact us if you have any queries with regard to the above.

Signed/dated copies of the Home-School Agreement and comment proforma should be returned to Mrs. Howis in the school office.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Averis'.

Mr. Roger Averis

Headteacher



HOME-SCHOOL AGREEMENT

1. The School and its Staff will

- i) encourage and expect pupils to perform at their best in everything they do;
- ii) set high expectations and standards of achievement, behaviour and presentation;
- iii) share learning objectives and targets with pupils, as appropriate;
- iv) provide regular information to parents/carers relating to all aspects of life at school;
- v) provide opportunities to discuss progress and behaviour both formally and informally;
- vi) provide an annual written report detailing pupil progress and performance;
- vii) liaise with parents/carers regarding all aspects of school life and experience;
- viii) facilitate and support transfer to other schools as, and when, appropriate (e.g. Secondary transfer at the end of Year 6);
- ix) provide a range of suitable and appropriate extra-curricular activities, visits and residential experiences to broaden and extend pupil educational and social development.

2. The School Expects Parents/Carers will

- i) ensure regular attendance at school with the necessary materials and equipment (e.g. suitable PE kit);
- ii) adhere to the school's uniform/dress code;
- iii) ensure punctual attendance;
- iv) provide, as appropriate, information relating to the child's performance and attendance at school (e.g. notes re: incapacity to take part in specific activities);
- v) keep the school informed of appropriate points of contact (e.g. childminders) and let us know immediately of any changes of arrangements;
- vi) support their children in the completion of homework, including reading and examination preparation.
- vii) attend appropriate parents' meetings, especially parents'/Carers' consultation Evenings.
- viii) acknowledge and treat all staff of school as experienced and responsible professionals;
- ix) encourage/foster their child(ren)'s independence;
- x) encourage their child(ren) to treat **all** of the school's staff with the appropriate level of respect and courtesy at all times;
- xi) ensure school is promptly notified – preferably in writing – of all reasons for absence/non-attendance;
- xii) support all school rules and policies and encourage their child(ren) to do so;
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Naturally, we do try as best we can to make your child as happy and as safe as possible whilst learning as much as possible in school. We do not, however, claim to be perfect so, if you feel you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Name of Child

Name of Parent/Carer (Please print):

Parent/Carer's Signature:

Date:

COMMENT SHEET

Please make comments as appropriate and return to school