

## Home/School Agreement - Academic Year 2025/2026

In order for any learner to be successful it is important that there is a partnership between home and school. The purpose of this agreement is to outline responsibilities of each partner in order to make your child's placement at Vermont School successful, positive and safe.

## Vermont School agrees to:

- Provide a framework of teaching, learning and guidance appropriate to the age and ability of each individual pupil.
- Provide a safe and inclusive environment.
- Plan and deliver classwork in line with the pupil's needs, policy and national curriculum.
- Keep parents/ carers informed about the progress of their child.
- Record daily attendance and punctuality.
- Follow up unexplained absences from school.
- Contact parents/carers if there are concerns regarding attendance/punctuality and/or behaviour.
- Make every effort to enable all pupils to achieve high standards of work and behaviour by building positive relationships and developing a sense of individual responsibility.
- Teach pupils the principles of personal safety, in particular, digital safeguarding.
- Value all pupils as individual members of the school community.
- Acknowledge pupils' progress and achievements through our reward system.
- Challenge all behaviour which does not meet our values and expectations, as detailed in our behaviour policy.
- Effectively tackle any bullying, discrimination, harassment, or victimisation.
- Seek the views of pupils and parents to aid planning and improvement.
- Respond constructively to parents' communications and concerns.

## The pupils of Vermont School agree:

- To attend school regularly and on time.
- To wear uniform whilst at school.
- To refrain from bringing energy drinks and/or chewing gum into school. Any such items brought into school will be disposed of.
- To hand in electronic devices at the start of the school day, these will be returned at the end of the day.
- To behave in a friendly and safe manner on the way to and from school.
- To observe the school values and behave with courtesy and respect in the classroom, corridors, school playground and public spaces.
- To build positive relationships with all members of the school community and take responsibility for your actions.
- To respect school property and equipment.
- To always work to the best of your ability.
- To try your best to achieve identified targets for improvement.

- To tell an adult about any issues that might affect your work or behaviour.
- To report any act of bullying or prejudice to a member of school staff.

## The parents/carers agree to:

- Ensure that your child attends school regularly and on time and to contact the school with an
  explanation for any absence.
- Avoid taking holidays in term-time.
- Ensure your child attends in school uniform.
- Support the school's policies and guidelines, including those on behaviour and teaching and learning.
- Make the school aware of any problems/concerns that might affect your child's work or behaviour.
- Attend structured conversation meetings and any other school events as required throughout the academic year.
- Regularly check your child's use of social networking sites and seek advice from school, if and when appropriate.
- Support the school in ensuring that your child behaves in an appropriate manner on the way to and from school.
- Adhere to the Acceptable Behaviour for Parents Policy.
- Attend school if requested by a member of the leadership team to discuss and support any concerns that arise.
- Understand that if your child causes malicious damage to school property and/or the fabric of the building, a financial contribution towards repair/ replacement will be considered.
- Understand that the school does not accept responsibility for any loss, theft, or damage to personal equipment, such as phones, tablets, or other gadgets. We strongly advise that these are not set in as we can accept no liability for damage to any personal effects of children.
- Communicate with respect with all members of the school community.
- Ensure that the school has at least two contact details on record.
- Inform the school of any changes to contact details so that effective communication can be maintained.
- If your child takes medication:
  - o before the school day: ensure that medication is given in good time.
  - o during the school day: ensure that you liaise with the school, and complete permission forms, as required.

I have read, understood and will adhere to the home/school agreement.

Signed by parent / carer	Date
Signed by pupil	Date
Signed by staff member	Date