

September 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Home-School Agreement

Please find attached a copy of our home-school Agreement. All schools must have a home-school agreement. By having one, we hope to contribute to school effectiveness by strengthening the partnerships between parents and carers and our school staff. We hope you will agree that it provides a useful overview of the relationship we want to develop and grow.

To confirm that you have received this letter and your copy of the agreement, please complete the tear off slip below, and return it to the school office by Friday 4th. October 2013. You may prefer to bring it with you to 'Meet the teacher' evening on the 2nd.October

If you have any comments you wish to make about this document, please use the space provided on the reply slip.

I look forward to receiving your comments and the completed slip

With best wishes,

Hilary McDermott, Head of School

Please return to the school office by October 2014:

Child's name **Class/Teacher**

Home School Agreement

- I have received the home-school agreement.
- I would like to make the following comments:

Parent/carer signature **Date**

HOME - SCHOOL AGREEMENT
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The school will:

- Help children to stay safe
- Provide a positive and inclusive learning environment
- Treat children with respect and dignity
- Stay calm with children
- Listen to what children have to say
- Try to understand children even if they can't always express their feelings
- Provide children with a broad and balanced curriculum appropriate to their needs and abilities and offer extended opportunities
- Let children know what is going to happen
- Tell children what they are good at to build their confidence
- Encourage children to behave appropriately through positive handling plans and positive reinforcement
- Allow children to make choices and decisions for themselves
- Encourage children to be as independent as they are able
- Inform parents / carers of their children's progress through Annual Reviews and Annual Reports
- Inform parents / carers about school activities through regular newsletters, link books and notices about special events and via the school's website and Parent Mail
- Keep parents / carers informed about what children have done during the school day through the link book or electronically
- Encourage parents / carers to work with us as part of a team and support them

As a parent/carer I/we will:

- Make sure that my child attends school regularly with the right equipment, clothing and kit and has the best possible attendance
- Let the school know if my child needs to be absent for an appointment
- Inform the school if my child has been unwell
- Provide the school with up to date information about my child's health and any medication he / she is taking
- Try to ring school on the first morning of absence if my child is too unwell to attend
- Contact the school if I have any concerns about my child
- Attend Meet the Teacher and Parents' Evenings, medicals and Annual Review meetings
- Do my best to work as part of a team with the school