



Home School Agreement

1. OUR PARTNERSHIP:

The community of Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Primary School at all times and in all that it does, attempts to serve as a witness to the Catholic faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe that parents are the first and foremost educators of their children and that we are called to support them in their given task. We believe that this school, rooted in the mission of the Eucharistic Community of Our Lady of the Visitation Parish has a particular responsibility to support parents in their task of nurturing their children in faith, love and human growth. Our Home-School-Pupil Agreement recognises this belief.

We believe that through our school we enable our parishioners to experience a vibrant, Christian community whereby we as parish engage with the world and offer an experience of The Gospel to all who have contact with us.

Each child in our school is valued and encouraged to achieve wholeness – spiritually, morally, emotionally and academically in a happy, secure Christian environment. We will always do our best to provide the best possible education for every child.

To achieve this we will reflect annually on our practice, celebrate and consolidate our successes and realistically explore ways of journeying more closely together.

Signed: *Mrs Maureen Gordon*

M Gordon
(for and on behalf of the Governing Body)

2. PARENT/CARER RESPONSIBILITIES:

We acknowledge that we as parents are the primary educators of our children and have an irreplaceable role to play in supporting our children's learning at school.

Therefore I/We will:

- ensure my child comes to school regularly, on time and is properly equipped
- ensure my child wears the correct school uniform
- recognise and support the Christian values of the school community
- respect the teachers' professional view and give positive support for the role of the teacher
- inform the school of any concerns or problems that might affect my child's work or behaviour
- will not approach parent's or children if issues arise
- support the school's policies and guidelines for behaviour
- encourage my child to show kindness and consideration to others
- encourage my child to be enthusiastic about learning and to enjoy school
- support my child in homework and other opportunities for home-learning
- attend parents' evenings and discussions about my child's progress
- talk to my child about their experiences in school and encourage them to do their best
- attempt to support the Catholic community and the school governors in their responsibilities for maintaining the school buildings in good repair.
- Signed

(Parent/Carer)

3. SCHOOL'S EDUCATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

We acknowledge our responsibility to support parents in their task of nurturing their children towards human wholeness within a Christian community.

Therefore we will:

- provide a friendly welcome to your child and a secure, stimulating, Christian environment in which to learn
- ensure that your child is valued for who he/she is and helped to make good progress in their spiritual, moral, emotional and academic development
- treat your child with the dignity and respect they require, encouraging them to their full human wholeness
- demonstrate our faith and our school's foundation in the teaching of Jesus Christ, by what we teach and the way we live and worship in our school
- do our utmost to provide the best possible education we can for your child and enthusiastic teaching rooted in our beliefs, our values and our skills
- provide you with information about your child's progress and provide you with opportunities to talk to teachers
- contact you if there is a problem with your child's attendance or punctuality
- inform you of any concerns regarding your child's behaviour, work or health
- set, mark and monitor homework suitable for your child's needs
- send home an annual report of your child's progress

- keep you well informed about school policies and activities through regular letters and newsletters
- be open and welcoming at all times and offer opportunities for you to become involved in the daily life of the school
- we will challenge your child to strive for the highest standard of personal, social and intellectual development and aim for excellence in all they do.

Signed *Mrs Maureen Gordon*

M Gordon

(for and on behalf of the Governing Body)

4. PUPIL RESPONSIBILITIES:

I acknowledge the different and unique talents that God has given me and my responsibility to use them wisely. Therefore I will:

- attend school regularly and on time
- wear the school uniform and bring all the equipment I need every day
- learn something new each lesson and always do my best
- take good care of all school equipment and help keep our school free from litter
- share my feelings honestly and politely and show consideration for others in school
- behave sensibly so we can be happy and safe as we learn
- try to think for myself and take responsibility for my actions
- observe all school rules and treat everyone with the respect they deserve.