



Home School Agreement

At Matching Green C of E Primary School we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff, parents and carers to share this commitment.

The School will:

- Provide a safe, secure, healthy and happy environment.
- Provide an opportunity to allow your child to achieve the best they can.
- Provide a high quality, relevant and challenging curriculum, which will meet the individual needs of your child.
- Help your child to experience a family centred, Christian community where each individual is valued and successes celebrated.
- Give a secure foundation for secondary school.
- Help your child have a positive attitude towards school and to understand the importance of learning.
- Keep you informed of your child's progress and update you about school life on a regular basis.

Parents / Carers will:

- Support and work with the school to encourage a positive attitude to your child's education by taking an interest in their school life, attending parents evening, discussing their progress and behaviour, and supporting the Christian vision of the school.
- Ensure that your child attends school regularly, is on time, in the correct, labelled uniform and is properly equipped.
- Let the school know on the first day of absence the reason why your child is unable to attend school and back up with a letter.
- Let the school know of any concerns or problems that might affect your child's work or behaviour.
- Support the school's policies and guidelines; particularly for behaviour, e-safety and use of photos/videos.*
- Support your child with their homework and take other opportunities for home learning.
- Take an interest in your child's life in school and attend Learning Conferences to discuss their progress and behaviour.
- Show respect and courtesy when dealing with school staff and other parents.

The Children agree to (views collected by the School Council):

- Follow our school values
- Be kind, caring and helpful to others. Come to school with a positive mind-set and speak to a teacher or someone I am confident to talk to.
- Respect each other, our teachers, other people's ideas and our school.
- Keep myself and others safe by following the school rules when I am
 - going to and from school
 - in school
 - in the playground
 - using a computer and also on-line.
- Try hard with everything I do and always be honest.
- Live and learn through our core Christian vision and values.
- Be enthusiastic about learning, complete my homework as well as I can.
- Wear my school uniform proudly, be tidy in appearance and take responsibility for my belongings.

***Why do we ask for parents to accept our e-safety policy with particular regard to the taking of photos and videos?**

Taking pictures or recordings of your own children for your own **personal** use is okay and perfectly natural to want to do so. The difficulty arises with plays or other events where children, other than your own, may also be filmed or photographed.

It is important that we are all aware that some members of the community (children or adults) may be vulnerable and must not have their image shared online as this could put them at risk from harm. You may not always know (or need to know) who these people are. We do however need everyone's support to protect the whole community.

It is also important for us to model safe behaviour for children, so it is always appropriate to check first before posting any images online.