



## ENGLEFIELD CE PRIMARY SCHOOL HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT 2024-25

### *Sowing the seeds for a flourishing future*

At the beginning of each academic year it is important to refresh ourselves of the following expectations:

- what parents and pupils can expect from the school
- the support the school can expect from parents and pupils.

Here at Englefield our Home School Agreement aims to define what these expectations are.

As a church school we aim to encourage learning and enable all children to flourish by providing a welcoming, happy and supportive environment in which Christian values are central to the ethos of our school. We give high priority to clear communication and to a positive partnership with parents. We encourage each member of the school's community to take responsibility for pupil development, behaviour, safety and well-being whilst attending our school, and we rely on the support of parents to achieve these aims.

Our value, 'love of others', includes a collective responsibility towards standards of behaviour based on honesty, respect, consideration and responsibility which includes an emphasis on good manners. Our Positive Behaviour for Learning Policy and e-Safety Policy give clear guidance on our expectations of behaviour and the safe use of the internet and are available to download from our school's website or are available from our school office.

Please read through our Home School Agreement with your child so that they also understand what is expected at our school.

#### ***The school will:***

- Uphold the school's Christian vision and values
- Care for your child's safety and happiness reflecting the British and Christian values of this church school
- Endeavour to ensure that your child flourishes and achieves his/her full potential as a valued member of the school community
- Provide a balanced curriculum and meet the individual needs of your child
- Aim to maximise the academic potential of each child
- Achieve high standards of work and behaviour through building good relationships and developing a sense of responsibility
- Provide a range of enrichment activities for your child
- Keep you informed about general school matters and about your child's progress in particular
- Be respectful and welcoming at all times and offer opportunities for you to become involved in the daily life of the school
- Ensure that pupils have good access to ICT within school to enhance their learning, and provide guidance on the safe use of such systems, email and other digital communications to ensure, as far as is practicable, that they are being used responsibly and appropriately for educational use
- Prepare children for secondary school

**Parents/Guardians will:**

- Respect the school's Christian vision and values
- Ensure that their child attends school every day, arriving at school on time and properly equipped
- Encourage positive attitudes towards school and learning
- Make the school aware of any concerns or problems that might affect their child's work or behaviour
- Support their child with homework and other opportunities for home learning
- Attend parents evenings and discussions about their child's progress
- Keep themselves informed about general matters at the school by ensuring they read school emails and newsletters, and by returning paperwork promptly
- Keep the school informed about where they can be contacted and provide an alternative daytime contact for emergencies
- Treat others, including members of staff, politely and with respect
- Support the school's policies and guidelines for behaviour and safe use of the internet
- Come into school to discuss any grievances rather than using WhatsApp, Facebook or other social media sites to write about any grievance with school issues or pupils
- Not share on social media any digital or video images taken at school events (other than of their own children); school's advice is that if you don't have your privacy settings on 'friends only' then you should not post pictures of your own children in their uniform (*see e-Safety policy*)
- Use social media in a responsible manner when referring to school

**The pupil will:**

- Respect the school's Christian vision and values
- Attend school every day and on time
- Bring all the equipment they need every day
- Take care of their own possessions and respect other people's
- Wear the school uniform and be tidy in appearance
- Do their classwork and homework as well as they can
- Be well mannered and polite to others
- Look and listen when others are communicating with them
- Treat others as they would wish to be treated
- Respect the school grounds, building and equipment
- Deliver all messages and letters promptly home
- Abide by the whole school rules and their class rules

**Safe use of technology:**

For their own safety and that of others they will:

- Ask an adult when they want to use a computer in school
- Only print documents when given permission by a member of staff
- Only use software and websites that an adult says are okay
- Tell an adult if they see something on screen that makes them feel uncomfortable or which upsets them
- Only use their own personal login to access school computers
- Not attempt to download anything from the internet, unless given permission to do so
- Not deliberately bypass any systems designed to keep the school safe