

“A learning community– developing hearts and minds”

Home-School Agreement.

Ethos and Values

Hollingbourne School is 'a learning community developing hearts and minds'. The school focuses on the development of the whole child, including skills and values as well as knowledge. It is a friendly and caring school, where expectations of all are high. It has an ethos underpinned by the school's key values of: resilience, acceptance, aspiration, collaboration, respect and honesty.

Aims

- To provide children with an inspirational and authentic learning experience, set in the context of real life.
- To provide children with secure foundations by teaching key skills for life.
- To ensure that everyone in the school community takes responsibility for their learning by understanding the value it has both now and in the future.
- To prioritise and promote the welfare and well being of children and their families.
- To ensure that the school values are promoted, underpinning behaviours and attitudes of all stakeholders both in school and in the wider community.
- To ensure that the strengths in all children are celebrated and nurtured.
- To have fun!

For our home school agreement to work effectively parents, children and the school must agree.

The pupil will:

- Take responsibility for making sure I have the right equipment for school.
- Ensure that letters issued by school are shared with my parents.
- Ensure that home learning is completed to a high standard.
- Follow the behaviour expectations within school.
- Ensure I am a good role model to others.
- Tell my teacher if I have a problem.
- Wear my school uniform with pride.
- Take an active part in the life of the school eg join clubs, take on extra responsibilities.

The parent will:

- Ensure that your child attends school regularly and on time.
- Support your child to independently manage their organisation and routines; remembering packed lunch, PE kit etc.
- Ensure your child has appropriate equipment for school.
- Let the school know, in a calm and respectful manner about any concerns or problems that might affect your child's work or wellbeing.
- Support the school's aims, policies and guidelines, including expectations of behaviour.
- Deal with concerns regarding school in an appropriate manner, speaking to your child's class teacher in the first instance. Concerns and negative comments will not be posted on social media.
- Attend parents' evenings to discuss your child's progress.
- Support your child to meet the school values.
- Support your child to develop a strong work ethic, completing homework and encouraging children to achieve their best.

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The school will:

- Provide a learning environment with clear expectations and where children feel they are listened to.
- Provide an environment that supports constructive dialogues whilst respecting confidentiality and safeguarding issues.
- Welcome parents into the life of the school, giving them opportunity to play an active part in their children’s education.
- Let parents know about any concerns or problems that might affect your child’s work or wellbeing.
- Encourage a strong work ethic, so that children do their best at all times.
- Ensure children uphold the school values.
- Arrange parents’ evenings so that parents and teachers can discuss their child’s progress.
- Send home regular short reports to update parents on their child’s progress.
- Keep the school website up to date as a main source of information on events in school.
- Provide children with effective feedback to ensure they can make good progress.
- Set homework.

Please sign below and return to the school office

Parent: _____ **Print:** _____

Pupil: _____ **Print:** _____

Headteacher: _____ **Print:** _____