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HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

PARENT/CARER:

Religious Education

- I have read the School Vision and will support the school's Catholic ethos, as stated in our joint Federation Vision.
- I will support the Catholic ethos of the school and support my child's growth in Faith by living according to the commitment made at my child's Baptism.

Behaviour / Discipline

- I have seen a copy of the Core Values and I will help my child to follow these values.
- I will support the school policies on behaviour, including the school's anti-bullying policy, discipline and equal opportunities which reflect the Catholic ethos of the school.
- I will treat members of staff with due respect at all times.
- I will be respectful to other adults and children within the school community and will sort any grievances via the correct procedures.

Regular Attendance

- I will ensure that my child attends school regularly.
- I will ensure that my child is in school **in good time** and I will collect my child **promptly** at the end of the day.
- I will notify the school promptly **in advance**, wherever possible, if my child is going to be absent for any reason and I will follow this by a written explanation.
- **I will not take my child out of school during term-time** unless there is a valid reason (eg illness, an emergency)
- I will complete the school contact form and notify the office of any changes in phone numbers or address.
- I will ensure that I have given the school at least 3 contact numbers for emergency purposes.
- I will ensure that I remain contactable during the school day and do not switch my phone off, in order that the school can contact me in case of an emergency.
- I will attend attendance meetings with the Headteacher and/or the Education Welfare Officer/Attendance Officer when my child's attendance falls below 96%.
- I will provide the necessary evidence required by the school to support any special leave granted.

Uniform

- I will ensure that my child wears the correct school uniform **with pride at all times** including appropriate footwear and plimsolls for P.E. (no trainers).
- I will mark all the items of clothing with my child's name. **(The school will not accept any responsibility for lost or damaged clothing or belongings).**
- I will make sure that my child does not wear a watch or any jewellery for health and safety reasons.

Home Learning

- I will agree to read with my child every day and ensure that any school book and reading folder is brought back, signed every day in **good** condition.
- If the reading book or Home Learning Book is damaged and needs to be replaced, I will pay for a replacement.
- I will support my child at home meeting their educational targets.

- I will sign my child's comment book when I have read it with him/her.
- I will help my child with any set homework and ensure it is returned to school on the day requested.

Other

- I will notify the school of any health, special needs or change of circumstances which could affect my child's education.
- I will attend Parents' Evenings to discuss my child's achievement and progress and other workshops and meetings that will enable me to support my child with their learning.
- I will read the school letters and newsletters, so I can be kept informed about school events, dates, etc.

Information Exchange

- I understand that if I have any particular concerns, I need to communicate these to the Class teacher or the Headteacher/Assistant Headteacher, sooner rather than later (**before a concern becomes a problem**).

Photographs

- I have read and filled in the relevant form to give permission for my child to be photographed or filmed (videoed) while taking part in activities in the school. I understand that any pictures will only be used for display or training purposes. I understand that from time to time these photos may be used on our school website.

Local Visits

- I understand that from time to time children are taken on local visits during the school day to locations such as the local park, Tooting Bec Common, and nearby places of interests, in order to support aspects of class topic work. **I give permission for my child to take part in these local trips.**

Internet Agreement

- I have read the school's Internet Agreement and I agree to the safety restrictions.

THE SCHOOL WILL:

- Share its vision and aims through its School Vision, Core Values and aims with parents, children and all members of the school community.
- Recognise that parents are the first educators of their child and will support them in the continuing spiritual development of their child in the Catholic faith.
- Endeavour to provide a calm, well ordered, safe, secure and happy learning environment for all its pupils.
- Only allow children to use the Internet when there is a responsible adult present to supervise.
- Ensure that the pupils will be restricted to Internet sites which have been reviewed and selected for content.
- Ensure the right of all children to have access to the Early Years and National Curriculum and have the highest expectations for all children and will provide a challenging and stimulating curriculum for all pupils.
- Endeavour to meet the educational needs of all its pupils and help them achieve their full potential.
- Arrange termly Parents' Evenings, during which each child's progress will be discussed.
- Arrange 'pop-in' sessions, during which parents can visit the child's classroom and see samples of their work.
- Provide a written report about each pupil at the end of every school year.
- Inform parents about how they can best support their child's school work at home.
- Strictly monitor each child's attendance and punctuality and take any appropriate action as and when necessary.
- Keep parents informed about school activities through regular texts, letters home, the website, Twitter, newsletters and notices about special events.

- Continue to operate an open door policy where Parents can have informal access to the Class teacher/ Headteacher/Assistant Headteacher, to discuss any issues/concerns at a mutually convenient time (if necessary, by appointment).
- Deal with any formal complaint via its Complaints procedure (accessible via the school website).
- Continue with its commitment to safeguarding all the children in their care. Governors will ensure that all employees undergo DBS checks and staff receive appropriate child protection/safeguarding training.
- Continue with its commitment to ensuring that children stay safe, healthily, enjoy and achieve, make a positive contribution and achieve economic wellbeing.

I have read and agree with the contents of this Home School Agreement and will support the school FULLY in its implementation.

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| Mother's/Carer's Name | | Father's/Carer's Name | |
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| Signature | | Signature | |
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| Headteacher/Assistant Headteacher Signatures | | | |

