

HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Approval Date – November 2016

Review Date – November 2019

Education at Westfield Academy is based on a partnership between school, parents and students.

Our school motto is “Seeing the qualities in every child”

This school aims to:

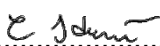
- Treat all students equally whilst respecting and celebrating individual differences
- Ensure that your child achieves his/her full potential as a valued member of the school within the local community
- Provide a balanced and appropriate curriculum and meet the individual needs of your child
- Provide high quality teaching and learning
- Develop all students to their full potential, enabling them to gain academic success and fulfil their ambitions
- Encourage all students to have high aspirations, achieve excellent standards of work and behaviour through building good relationships and developing a sense of responsibility
- Care for your child’s safety and happiness and foster spiritual, moral and cultural development
- Work with members of the Yeovil Federation to ensure that we have the same high standards and shared expectations in all our schools and the College
- We are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and follow best practice procedures to ensure their safety.


The school will:

- Recognise and celebrate achievement
- Let you know at an early stage of any concerns or problems that affect your child’s work or behaviour
- Inform you, through interim and final reports, about your child’s progress
- Ensure that we are available, by prior appointment, to discuss your child’s progress or your concerns
- Contact you if there is a problem with your child’s attendance, punctuality or equipment
- Keep you informed about general school matters
- Use an attendance text messaging service to alert parents to unexplained absences unless as a parent you choose to opt-out

The school has:

A complete set of policies including Safeguarding, Learning and Teaching (with clearly stated home learning policy), Behaviour (detailing expectations, rewards and sanctions), Anti-bullying and Racial Equality. All policies are available on the website.

Signed  **Principal**

Signed.....  **Chair of Governors**

As Parent, Guardian or Carer I/we will:

- Encourage my child to take a full and active part in school life
 - Support my child's learning including the completion of any homework and checking the personal planner weekly
 - Make the school aware of any concerns or problems that might affect my child's work or behaviour
 - Support the school staff in maintaining high standards of behaviour in line with the school Behaviour Policy and school rules
 - Comply with the school's uniform code regarding dress, jewellery and smart appearance
 - Ensure that my child attends school regularly and on time as the law requires
 - Inform the school if my child is absent from school
 - Make sure that any absence is covered by a letter or a telephone call to the Attendance Officer
 - Consent to my child being photographed at school events and for photos to be used in official publications e.g. half termly newsletter
 - Consent to the school using supplied mobile phone numbers to contact me/us in the event of an unexplained absence or other urgent message. This service uses a third-party texting company. They do not hold any personal data relating to parents or children.
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As a student I will:

- Behave well and be polite and helpful to others, respecting the fact that everyone is different, has the right to be happy and safe at school and the right to learn uninterrupted by others
- Be at school on time every day and ready to work
- Listen carefully and do all my classwork and homework to the best of my ability
- Use my personal planner to help me meet deadlines for homework and coursework and collect daily reward stamps
- Ask for help if I don't understand the work before my work is due to be handed in, attending homework/coursework support sessions as necessary
- Bring all the equipment I need every day
- Use appropriate and acceptable language
- Wear the school uniform and be tidy in appearance
- Help to keep the school a pleasant place to be, clean, tidy and free from litter or graffiti
- Try to join in with some of the extra activities that the school provides