

# Oaks Park High School

**Title of Policy:** Home School Agreement

**Person responsible:** R Manning

**Date for review:** Annually

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Oaks Park High School upholds the importance of building trust and cooperation between teachers, parents/carers and students. This agreement sets out specific ways in which we can all play our part in achieving this positive atmosphere. It is not a contract, but expresses the willingness of all concerned to work together for the benefit of all young people in the school. The Home School Agreement is in three sections, detailing the rights and responsibilities of the school, parents and students.

**Oaks Park High School will always endeavour to:**

- provide an ordered, caring, supportive environment which encourages the academic, social and personal development of each individual;
- provide a full and balanced curriculum which, as far as possible, educates each student to the best of his/her ability;
- ensure that each student has the opportunities, support and guidance to achieve his/her full potential;
- set challenging targets for each student and share these with parents/carers and students;
- set, mark and monitor classwork and homework;
- contact parents/carers if there is a particular concern with attendance, punctuality or equipment;
- provide records and information to parents/carers about each child's educational progress and general development;
- arrange regular meetings between parents/carers and teachers and be available at other times as required;
- pass on medical and educational information provided by parents/carers, as appropriate;
- keep parents/carers fully informed on important school matters through a wide range of letters, the weekly newsletter (on the school website) and the student planner;
- respond to parents/carers' enquiries promptly.

**Signed:** ..... **on behalf of OPHS**

**As a parent/carer, I will endeavour to:**

- encourage my child to attend school regularly and punctually, avoiding term-time holidays and providing school with a note to cover any absence;
- ensure my child attends school in correct uniform and is properly equipped for lessons;
- encourage my child to work hard and support his/her homework by checking and signing the planner each week;
- notify the school of any concerns about my child's education; attend meetings to discuss progress and learn about the work of the school; inform school of any factors which may affect my child's performance;
- support all the policies and strategies used by the school to maintain a positive working atmosphere.

**Signed:** ..... **Parent/Carer**

**As a student, I will always endeavour to:**

- attend school regularly and punctually;
- wear full school uniform and take pride in my appearance;
- bring the correct kit and equipment each day;
- be polite to others, both in school and in the local community, and behave in an honest and sensible manner, showing respect for the fabric of the school and for my own and other people's property;
- work hard in lessons to develop my ability to the full;
- complete all homework set and hand it on at the appropriate time;
- be a good citizen by fully entering into all extra-curricular activities in school;
- keep my computer password confidential; use the school's computer systems according to school rules and strictly follow the teacher's instructions when using the internet.

**Signed:** ..... **Student**

**By all three parties working in partnership we can ensure that each student's potential is fulfilled.**