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**ELMSTEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Home-School Agreement**

We are determined to create an inclusive culture of learning where all children will be challenged in their thinking, achieve and strive to become lifelong learners.

We will empower our children to become respected citizens to enable them to make valuable contributions locally, globally and to contribute to our world's sustainable future. We will prepare pupils positively for life in modern Britain and promote democracy, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith.

This can be done most effectively when all staff, parents and children understand their responsibilities and work together towards the same goals, as detailed in our home-school agreement.

**The School will:**

**The Learning Environment**

Our school will:

- Provide your child with a high standard of education, implemented by rigorous national guidelines, within a balanced curriculum.
- Ensure that our learning environment is stimulating and challenging.
- Celebrate your child's academic and personal achievements.
- Provide the scaffolding needed to enable your child to achieve a Growth Mindset.
- Care for your child's safety and well-being by observing and listening to them.

**A Healthy, Happy Community**

Our school will:

- Teach your child to develop a positive attitude to one another, regardless of gender, race, culture, belief, values, age and need.
- Encourage your child to become an active member within our community and help them to see that they can have an impact on the world around them.
- Regularly meet with you to communicate the progress of your child, celebrating their strengths and explaining how we can support and scaffold them in their areas for development.
- Provide information to you about our school, including relevant policies, meetings, workshops, activities and newsletters.
- Be very happy to welcome you if you would like to contribute to our school's broader curriculum. We recognise that the community of Elmstead Market and the surrounding area holds a wealth of talent, experience, diversity and enthusiasm that our school could benefit richly from.

**Homework**

The school will:

- Set homework to extend the curriculum, enhancing the work undertaken by pupils at school, providing the opportunity for independent learning.
- Provide clear information to pupils about their homework, including the timescales in which it is to be completed.
- Provide feedback to pupils about their homework, whether through a test given as a result of the homework, by marking, or by discussing the homework with the child.
- Provide information and helpful training sessions for you that will give you confidence to support your child.

## The Parents/Carers will:

### **The Learning Environment**

I as a Parent/Carer will:

- Make sure that my child arrives at school by 8:50am.
- Make sure that my child is wearing named school uniform, as indicated on the School Uniform List, or other suitable clothing as required, and that their PE kit is brought into school.
- Endeavour to provide a safe, secure and happy environment at home for my child, acknowledging that they learn at home.

### **A Healthy, Happy Community**

I as a Parent/Carer will:

- Let the school know of any concerns or worries that may be affecting my child's learning, behaviour or ability to do homework, as this can then be resolved quickly.
- Support the school by encouraging my child to develop a positive attitude towards our diverse, multicultural community.
- Attend meetings with my child's teacher and other staff, aiming to be positive and productive, working towards moving my child on in their learning.
- Support and work with you to ensure that the behaviour management policies of the school are maintained, particularly with my child.
- Encourage a positive attitude towards my child's education and our school. If I have any concerns, I will come and discuss them with you as it is much healthier to work out solutions and move on.
- Refrain from using social networking sites to discuss sensitive issues about the school.
- Respect that where photos are permitted at school events, they are not to be shared on social media unless otherwise stated.
- Read all information sent home as this gives me important details of relevant policies, meetings, workshops, activities and newsletters.
- Support the school and EPSA (Elmstead Primary School Association) to the best of my ability or any way that I can for the benefit of a variety of causes and also our school.

### **Homework**

You as Parent/Carers will:

- Please support the school by making sure that homework tasks are completed and returned on time. A child who hasn't completed their homework is often an unhappy, worried one!
- Please take an interest and be supportive to your child, without taking away their independence.
- Read with your child and add comments to the child's Reading Diary (which accompanies the reading book).
- Please use your talents and experiences to enhance your child's learning at home – Your child will benefit greatly from what you can show them, discuss with them and teach them.

**I, as a Pupil of Elmstead Primary School, will:**

- Respect other children’s culture, race, feelings, beliefs, differences and values.
- Accept responsibility for the things that I do.
- Be responsible for my school and homework.
- Ask for help if I need it and try my best in all that I do, developing a Growth Mindset.
- Ensure that I take home all school letters.
- Be kind and speak politely to everyone in school.
- Take good care of the building, equipment and school grounds.
- Behave in a safe way.
- Be helpful.
- Tell a member of staff if I am worried or unhappy.

**Name of Child:** .....

**Signature of Child:** .....

**Signature of Parent / Carer:** ..... **Date:** .....

**Signature of Headteacher:** .....