

Park Gate Primary School Home-School Agreement – Summer 2020



Partnership with parents is a crucial aspect of the ethos of Park Gate Primary School. This document aims to set out the expectations for this partnership.

The Park Gate Way is central to the school's ethos and all members of the school's community are expected to follow this. It is expected that all children will work hard to uphold The Park Gate Way at all times.

The Park Gate Way

Show respect for everyone and everything

- Treat others as you would like to be treated
- Make safe and sensible choices
- Listen carefully to others
- Think before you speak and do
- Be kind and thoughtful
- Be honest and trust each other
- Do your best

Below are the shared responsibilities agreed by the school community – one for parents and one for the school.

Parents and families – enabling children to be ready for school and ready to learn

From a family's point of view they will:

- Uphold and model The Park Gate Way.
- Communicate things to celebrate with the school.
- Ensure children arrive at school on time and emotionally ready to learn.
- Ensure children arrive at school physically cared for and wearing the correct school uniform.
- Support the work of the school by completing home learning expectations with a smile.
- Encourage children to think about The Park Gate Way at home, not just in school.
- Support the teachers in their decision making and show a united front.
- Promote E-Safety and highlight social media awareness.
- Support the school's behaviour policy and encourage open discussion about the term bullying.
- Show an interest in the running of the school.
- Support school and social events.
- Be a positive role model to the children and encourage self worth as individuals.
- Encourage respect for others.
- Be positive about school.
- Ensure a representative of your child attends every parents' evening, information evening, workshop or parents in lessons session.
- Build in rest and relaxation time with your child(ren).
- Respect each child as an individual.
- Never put the school or another child / parent down in front of your child.
- Discuss any concerns you may have with the school **before** they become too big!

The school's role in school readiness, whole child development and support with learning

Staff at Park Gate will:

- Uphold and model The Park Gate Way.
- Teach the children to be reflective learners.
- Recognise that they are an important role model for children at the school.
- Demonstrate professional respect by communicating and sharing information about every child's unique education journey.
- Demonstrate high expectations for each child by providing opportunities to promote our School Values: Partnership, Aspiration, Resilience, Kindness, Growth, Achievement, Trust, Excellence.
- Provide challenge and support to raise aspirations.
- Enthuse, engage and motivate all children.
- Create opportunities for children to make decisions and choices to promote independence.
- Operate in the best interests of the child and adapt practices when necessary.
- Share ideas about how to support children's development and learning with parents, including home routines.
- Understand the different stages of child development, how these relate to each other and how to plan to meet these.
- Keep up to date with current practice and research.
- Track individual children's progress and share outcomes with all relevant parties.
- Celebrate successes of children, both in school and at home.
- Provide opportunities for children to learn how to be active and healthy.
- Respect and respond to each child's background and circumstances.
- Establish positive relationships with parents based on trust and honesty and through good communication.