



## HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### POLICY for PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

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Our Mission Statement clearly states that the Governors and Staff of Holy Name Catholic Primary School aim to enhance and protect the lives of our pupils, and to ensure that every effort is made to help each child entrusted to our care to realise their full potential, both educationally and personally, and to strive to develop the moral, spiritual, social and cultural aspects of their lives.

In support of these objectives, we acknowledge the debt we owe to the parents / carers and families of our pupils, in allowing our school to undertake this supporting role in the development of their child / children.

We aim to work together to ensure:

1. That parents / carers feel satisfied that their child is making sufficient academic progress - within their level of ability.
2. That their child is in a safe environment
3. That bullying will not be tolerated in any form
4. That each child is treated with fairness, patience and tolerance, in an atmosphere of love, respect and reconciliation and equality of opportunity
5. Those in times of sickness or accident in school, all children receive sensitive and appropriate care.
6. That prompt professional medical help will be given / sought in cases of a more serious nature
7. That parents / carers feel welcome to approach the teachers /and / or EHT / HoS, with any concern or problem
8. That parents' / carers' views will be listened to, to offer advice / information about the school
9. Parents/ carers receive a School Prospectus
10. Parents / carers are invited to sign a Home-School Agreement
11. Parents / carers are required to provide the school with details of address and emergency contacts
12. Parents / carers also receive copies of class half term plans and R.E. plans
13. Parents / carers receive regular Newsletters
14. Parents / carers receive a copy of Governors' Annual Report to Parents
15. Parents / carers receive details about Homework

In our efforts to achieve these objectives

1. School offers an "open door" policy to our parents / carers by which we endeavour to deal with parental queries immediately, or as soon as possible. An appointment may be necessary. If a matter is not satisfactorily agreed, a further appointment will be offered.

2. There are 2 Parents' Evenings each year where parents / carers meet with the class teacher to discuss a child's progress.
3. Parents /carers are invited to class masses, class -led assemblies and other activities
4. School offers the opportunity for parents to help in class and work under the direction of the class teacher. No pressure will be put on parents to assist in school.
5. School will seek help from parents / carers for supervision of Educational Visits
6. School will involve parents / carers in fund raising activities. The School's PTFA will also function for fund raising and social occasions.
7. School will provide opportunities for parents / carers to develop their own skills and knowledge about the curriculum.
8. School will inform parents / carers of their child's progress in the child's annual written report
9. School will report to parents / carers their child's attainment in SATS at the end of Key Stages 1 and 2.

Our school has high ambition and expectation for each child and hopes that all parents / carers will work in partnership with the school.

It is hoped that our parents / carers will:

1. Acknowledge that progress can only be achieved if it is within a child's capability
2. Support the school in its policy on uniform
3. Support the school policy for Assertive Discipline
4. Ensure that their child / children respect the school, its property and rules and work with staff and parents to ensure that Holy Name Catholic Primary School is an effective and happy school.
5. Ensure that their child's attendance and punctuality is of the highest standard, and that if there is cause for concern, the PAEWO will be contacted to support the child and its family to bring about improvement.
6. Encourage their child / children to always do their best, and to ensure that their Homework is completed and submitted to their class teacher, on time.

The Governors and Staff at Holy Name Catholic Primary School value the contribution that parents / carers, and strive to fulfil the hopes and aspirations of everyone, in that we aim to provide the very best in education.

### **CHILD PROTECTION / PUPILS AT RISK**

All Staff are asked to be constantly alert for any signs of abuse to pupils. If suspicions are aroused by signs of injuries of any kind, neglect, undue emotional disturbance or unusual behaviour, please refer the matter to the EHT / HoS immediately, who will then inform the School's Child Protection Officer. **A DELAY IN RESPONDING COULD BE COSTLY**

Ms Pauline Sloane is the school's Child Protection Officer. Staff will receive Training in Child Protection each year.