

Home School Agreement

Newton leys Primary School

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Nurture - Excel - Achieve

Vision Statement

"Our vision is to create a school that is an integral part of the community where children are proud of their achievements and excel within a safe, joyful and nurturing environment"

Mission Statement

Newton Leys Primary School and Nursery encourages everyone to participate by:

- Creating a nurturing, safe, happy community where everyone is respected and listened to; a community where we take pride in ourselves and our achievements, enabling children to become good choosers, skilful problem solvers and powerful learners.
- Striving to be the hub of our local community and an integral part of our society; building and joining communities locally and beyond.
- Building partnerships in the education of our children with parents and the wider community.

Newton Leys Primary School and Nursery encourages everyone to excel by:

- Teaching children within a culture of high expectation and challenge enabling the children to achieve their best academically, emotionally and behaviourally.
- Encouraging independent and collaborative working relationships, developing an understanding that learning is lifelong and to build the skills, knowledge and understanding required for making sense of and a positive contribution to, the world around them.
- Giving them the confidence to question and to search for answers and an understanding that without mistakes we don't learn and so encouraging them to take risks
- Striving to be a centre for recognised excellent practitioners, where quality leadership is extended to professionals in other schools, staff are committed to their own learning journey and the sharing of quality practice and advice is welcomed from external professionals.

Newton Leys Primary School and Nursery enables everyone to be proud of their achievements by:

- Supporting everyone to fulfil their potential.
- Developing a curiosity for and excitement of learning inspired by quality first teaching.
- Building and developing upon individual strengths and talents.

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 their full potential.
- Care for your child's safety and well-being by observation 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, newsletters and open days.

• Be very happy to welcome you if you would like to contribute to our school's broader curriculum. We recognise that the community of Newton Leys holds a wealth of talent, experience, diversity and enthusiasm that our school could benefit richly from.

Homework

Our school will:

• Set differentiated and achievable homework to consolidate/ extend the curriculum and provide the opportunity for independent learning. Clear information will be provided so that you will be able to help your child if required.

• Provide information and helpful training sessions for you that will give you confidence to support your child.

Children

- Learn;
- Work hard and listen carefully to instructions;
- Come to school regularly and on time;
- Follow the school and class rules;
- Behave well at all times.
- Behave well at all times to maintain the safety of myself and others;
- Be polite, friendly and helpful to other children and all adults;
- Tell somebody if there is something I am not happy about;
- Do my homework regularly and return it to school on time;
- Bring all the equipment I need every day including my PE kit, book bag and reading books;
- Take good care of the school environment and living things.

Parents/ Carers

The Learning Environment

I as a Parent/Carer will:

• Make sure that my child arrives at school by 8.30 am.

• Make sure that my child wears named school uniform and that their PE kit is brought into school on the days they will be taught PE.

• 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, so they can then be resolved quickly.

• Support the school by encouraging my child to develop a positive attitude towards our diverse, multi-cultural 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 the school 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.

• Read all information sent home as this gives me important details of relevant policies, meetings, workshops, activities, newsletters and open days.

• Support the school and Parent/ Teacher Association when fundraising activities occur.

• Respect our neighbours when visiting whether by foot or vehicle the 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 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.