



At Lacey Gardens Junior School we believe that pupils achieve most when parents and school value and respect each other and share common aims.

We want to work with parents to promote our pupils' achievements and success. The aim of this agreement is to clarify what we expect of our pupils and their parents, and what they in turn can expect from us.

Our School's Aims

The Responsibilities of All Staff

It is the staff's professional responsibility to:

- *Know the children as individuals.* This means where they are in their learning, how they learn, what sort of people they are, and the best way to support them.
- *Provide a balanced curriculum.* This means helping children to acquire skills in reading, writing, maths, science and all the areas identified as necessary and important by Lacey Gardens and the National Curriculum.
- *Help children become independent learners.* Encouraging them to think for themselves, develop their own opinions, and to organise their time and resources effectively, with support from the teacher.
- *Help children develop as individuals,* encouraging confidence, self-esteem and positive relationships with other children and adults.
- *Form positive relationships with the parents of the children they teach,* so that there is a shared understanding. Children learn best when school and home work together for the benefit of the child.

REMEMBER: Every child is different and the teacher is meeting the requirements mentioned above for up to 30 children every day.

The Responsibilities of Parents/Carers

- *To explain to the child what school is for:* a place for learning where he/she will be with other people and that means sharing books, equipment, adult attention and co-operating with others.
- *To help the child with his/her learning.* This means showing an interest in what your child has done at school, sharing reading books, looking after and returning borrowed books or resources; attending parents meetings and open evenings to discuss your child's progress with the class teacher and supporting your child with their homework.
- *To support the school.* Any worries or concerns should be shared **PRIVATELY** with the class teacher in the first instance. Please don't

voice your concerns in front of your child or other children in a public place. Make an appointment. We are always willing to listen and come to a shared understanding.

- *To send the child to school on time*, every day when she/he is fit enough to come, and to collect him/her if they do not go home on their own. Parents/carers will not be granted holiday leave during term time, except in VERY EXCEPTIONAL circumstances.
- *To send the child to school ready to learn*. Children need to concentrate to learn, and therefore need to be fit and well, to have had enough sleep, to have eaten, and to be suitably dressed.
- *To communicate with the school any special medical needs*, or any special circumstances at home that may affect your child's learning.
- *To support the school's policies and guidelines*, e.g. Behavioural, Homework, Special Educational Needs and Attendance policies and School Dress Code.

Your Child's Responsibilities

As parents and teachers, we need to explain to children what is expected of them. Here are some examples of the behaviour we require from the children at Lacey Gardens Junior, in and out of the classroom:

- To *co-operate*
- To *take responsibility* for their own actions
- To develop *self-control*
- To be polite and *well-mannered*
- To be *honest*
- To *follow* our school and class *rules*
- To *respect* the *feelings* of others, and learn to sort out difficulties without using physical or emotional violence.
- To *respect* other children's and the school's property.
- To *listen* when asked and wait their turn.
- To *work hard*, not waste time and allow other children to do the same.
- To try to *produce their best* in all aspects of school life.

I accept and agree to the responsibilities set out in this home school agreement.

Signed
Parent/Carer

Signed
Pupil

Date