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Dear parents and carers,

Re: Updated Home School Agreement

We are aware that in this ever-changing technological world our children are having more access to information than every before. They are also in contact with a wide range of friends and family members through a range of devices.

Some of our pupils are using social media to contact other pupils. Sometimes pupils do not use social media responsibly and sometimes the contact between pupils causes disagreements and upsets which are then brought in to school.

We have updated our Home School Agreement to reflect this. We have added 3 new bullet points to the pupil section:

- Ensure school staff are not contacted through digital media
- Ensure nothing is posted on the internet that may hurt the feelings of other people or cause distress
- Ensure that personal information is not shared with others

The Home School Agreement is an unsigned agreement for all members of our school community. It can be found on our website and we have also added it below.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Skinner

Inclusion, Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead

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Home School Agreement

We aim to build a community where every child feels safe, is valued and encouraged to achieve their potential. We want our pupils to be able to become independent learners who enjoy learning.

We expect that Pupils, Staff and Parents adhere to the Home School Agreement to enable us all to work together for the best possible outcomes for the pupils.

School will aim to;

- Provide a safe and happy environment for all children
- Encourage children to do their best at all times
- Provide an appropriate curriculum to meet the needs of all children
- Achieve high standards by providing opportunities for children to develop positive social relationships, self-esteem and a sense of responsibility
- Be open and welcoming and offer opportunities for parents to be involved
- Communicate clearly and regularly with parents and families
- Ensure that all pupils are made aware that unacceptable behaviour is not tolerated
- Report on children's progress each term
- Provide homework to support learning

Pupils will;

- Come to school regularly and on time
- Treat others with consideration and respect
- Listen carefully to what others have to say
- Follow instructions from all school staff
- Wear school uniform and be tidy
- Read daily and complete homework
- Look after the school and property
- Be kind, helpful and polite to everyone
- Ensure school staff are not contacted through digital media
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Parents will aim to;

- Ensure their child attends, notifying the school as soon as possible of any absences and provide an explanation
- Support the school's policies and procedures including attending parents' evenings and information events
- Support their child with daily reading and homework
- Respect all members of the school community, abiding by a policy of zero tolerance towards rude and aggressive behaviour, behaving in an appropriate way so that the school is not brought into disrepute
- Direct any complaints or concerns through the school's official channels and not use private groups, Facebook page, or personal social media to complain about or criticise the school or members of staff. This is not constructive and the school can't improve or address issues if they aren't raised in an appropriate way
- Ensure mobile phones and smart watches are not used on site
- Communicate with the school regarding any about concerns or health that may affect their child's
- behaviour and ensure phone numbers and contact details are up to date
- Access and read all communications sent by the school

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