



HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Watling Academy aspires to encourage the 'I want to learn' culture amongst all its students, so that they may fulfil their individual potential in education and develop into responsible adults who make a positive contribution to society.

The Trust's mission – *to provide the highest standards of Education, Care and Opportunity for all its students* - is underpinned by the 'Watling Way' exemplifying our core values of:

- **Respect**
- **Responsibility**
- **Kindness**

These form an integral part of a shared language between all members of our community – within lessons, during extra-curricular activities and social time, and in every interaction between ourselves and others.

AIMS

- To generate an enthusiasm for learning amongst the students, so that they willingly seek to gain knowledge and an understanding about the world around them.
- To provide students with the guidance, information and resources necessary to help them learn.
- To teach students the skills necessary for effective and efficient learning.
- To provide students with a positive learning environment.
- To develop a sense of pride amongst the students, so that they always aim to achieve the highest possible standards of work in all subjects.
- To foster the personal qualities, skills and self-confidence necessary for success in their chosen career and personal life.
- To develop amongst all students a sense of respect for themselves, other individuals, their own and other communities, and their environment.

We believe that these aims are more likely to be achieved if there is a partnership between the Academy, the students and the parents based on mutual trust, respect and understanding.

As a beginning, we are asking you to commit to an agreement with Watling Academy so that all concerned may be clear about our mutual aims and expectations now and in the future.

Watling will:

1. Provide, as far as possible, a secure and welcoming environment.
2. To model the values of Respect, Responsibility and Kindness in all relationships.
3. Care for each student's safety and happiness.
4. Deliver a broad and balanced education, which aims to meet the individual needs of each student.
5. Ensure that homework is set, marked and monitored.
6. Report regularly to parents and provide opportunities to discuss students' progress.
7. Support parents/carers through the period of their child's transition from primary to secondary school.
8. Contact parents/carers if there are concerns about attendance, punctuality, behaviour or progress.
9. Respond sensitively and promptly to any concern or complaint raised by a parent/carer or student.
10. Provide information and guidance about careers and future higher education.
11. Provide opportunities outside of the classroom to support learning beyond formal lessons.

Parents and Carers will:

1. Support the aims of the school.
2. Ensure that my/our child attends school punctually and with minimum absence.
3. Ensure that my/our child is properly dressed in correct school uniform.
4. Ensure that my/our child completes all homework set to the best of his/her ability and in reasonable working conditions.
5. Attend Parents' Evenings and meetings about my/our child's progress.
6. Not take my/our child out of school during term time without the explicit permission of the Headteacher.
7. Advise the school of any concerns or problems which might affect my/our child's progress.
8. Work constructively and cooperatively with the school to resolve any concerns about attendance, punctuality, behaviour or progress.
9. Support the school in applying sanctions where behaviour has been inappropriate.
10. Support my/our child in attending opportunities provided, beyond the classroom.

Students will:

1. Demonstrate Watling's core values of Responsibility, Respect and Kindness at all times, co-operating with members of staff and other students.
2. Attend school punctually and with minimum absence.
3. Bring necessary equipment and books including pens and pencils to all lessons.
4. Complete classwork and homework as well as I can.
5. Ask teachers for help when I have problems with my work.
6. Behave responsibly at all times.

7. Observe the school rules.
8. Wear my school uniform correctly and be tidy in appearance.
9. Conduct myself at all times in such a way as to enhance the Academy's reputation within the community.
10. Keep mobile phones switched off and in my bag or locker throughout the duration of the Academy day.
11. Take advantage of the opportunities provided beyond the classroom.

School signature _____ Chair of Governors signature _____

Parent/Carer signature _____ Student signature _____