

Amherst School : Home-School Agreement



Inspire Every Pupil

At Amherst we have six values and six simple school rules attached to each value. Each value is linked to a term to provide a theme for assemblies and class discussions. We will do all we can to model and teach your child the importance of each value. Please support us in encouraging your child to live and breathe these values.

The six Amherst values and rules:

Trust

We will act responsibly and honestly to earn the trust of each other at Amherst School.

Kindness

We will treat everybody and everything with care and respect at Amherst School.

Determination

We will work hard to do our best even when things are difficult.

Politeness

We will be well-mannered and courteous towards everyone at Amherst School.

Fairness

We will treat everyone as our equal (s) at Amherst School.

Cooperation

We will all work together to include each other as a team at Amherst School.

The Parents

We will do our best to ensure that:-

- we build a positive relationship with the school for the benefit of our child.
- our child attends regularly and arrives punctually and properly equipped. Personal items are clearly labelled with checks made at the beginning of each term.
- we encourage our child to be organised and reliably responsible for themselves and their belongings.
- we inform the school of the reasons for absence by telephone or letter BEFORE 08.50 a.m. in the morning.
- we avoid taking our child on holiday during term time.
- we support the school's values, discipline policy and rules by encouraging a positive attitude towards school.
- we encourage our child to do their best and highlight achievement.
- we provide working space and a quiet environment for homework and provide support and resources as necessary.
- we attend parents' meetings and bring any concerns promptly to the school's attention.
- our child goes to bed at a sensible time during the school week.
- we inform the school about any factors, including medical information, which might affect our child's work, welfare or behaviour.
- we encourage our child to be well mannered and to respect the feelings of others.
- we encourage our child to walk to and from school each day.

The School

We will do our best to ensure that:-

- we build a positive partnership with parents in the best interests of their children.
- children are well taught, cared for and treated fairly.
- parents are given early warning of any problems with their child's work or behaviour.
- appropriate action is taken in cases of pupils' misconduct or unauthorised absence.
- attention is paid to any parental or community concerns or complaints and action taken as deemed appropriate.
- parents are kept informed about the curriculum and teaching methods
- parents are invited to be involved in school activities.
- parents are offered regular information about their child's progress, and are invited to meet their child's teacher at Parents' Evenings. There will also be two Open Afternoons each year for children to share their work with parents. Further concerns can be dealt with by an appointment made through the School Office.
- the children are provided with a safe and secure environment and that the Health and Safety policy is reviewed regularly.
- an annual written report is sent to parents and the teacher will be available to discuss this report if parents would like to do so.

The Pupil

I will do my best to:-

- attend regularly and arrive punctually and properly equipped.
- behave responsibly and abide by the school rules.
- try hard and show pride in my work.
- wear appropriate school uniform at all times.
- complete my homework on time and to the best of my ability.
- be polite, respect other people and their property and be responsible for the care of my own possessions.
- respect the school buildings and grounds and keep them tidy.
- go to bed at sensible times during the week.
- tell my teacher if anything is worrying me.