26th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

St Margaret’s is a Church of England School which benefits from strong links with St Margaret’s Parish Church and the support of the Manchester Diocesan Board of Education.

Christian values are at the heart of all that we do. At St Margaret’s we believe that a successful partnership between the School and parents helps each pupil to take full advantage of all that the School has to offer.

**What is a Home-School Agreement?**

A Home-School Agreement sets out the school’s aims, values and responsibilities towards its pupils, the responsibilities of each pupil’s parents and what the school expects of its pupils.

**Why have one?**

The aim of the agreement is to strengthen the partnership between home and school and make clear the roles and expectations of the school, parents and pupils.

**What do I have to do?**

Please sign and return the declaration below (one for every child attending St Margaret’s) and return to School by **Monday 30th September 2019**

If you have any queries or would like to view any of the documents mentioned in the agreement (e.g. Behaviour Policy etc.) please visit the school website or contact the school office.

Thank you for your support in this

Kind Regards

Mr D Whittle
Headteacher
ST MARGARET’S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

The school will make every effort to:
- Ensure the safety, security and physical wellbeing of all children whilst in our care.
- Ensure each child is valued and provided with a stimulating learning environment with a broad, balanced and creative curriculum.
- Encourage every child to do their best ensuring they achieve their potential.
- Promote high standards and high expectations of effort and attainment.
- Provide a clear framework for assertive discipline, in which good behaviour is rewarded and poor behaviour results in clear, consistent sanctions.
- Provide properly planned homework opportunities which are realistic, achievable and related to work in school.
- Provide opportunities for interesting and exciting extra-curricular activities, trips and other activities.
- Provide a written report informing you of your child’s progress with his/her class teacher at least once per year and provide opportunities for you to discuss your child’s progress with his/her class teacher at least twice per year.
- Deal with parental concerns promptly and communicate how they have been resolved.
- Keep parents/carers informed about school life and special events through regular newsletters, text messages and correspondence.
- Maintain confidentiality whenever possible.

Parents/Guardians will make every effort to:
- Support the aims of the school.
- Ensure their child attends regularly and on time.
- Ensure their child wears the school uniform and follows the school dress code.
- Encourage their child to follow the school’s expectations.
- Inform the school of any problems that may affect their child’s learning or behaviour.
- Be patient and polite to our staff even though you may be concerned, upset or angry (Aggression will not be tolerated in any circumstances).

Children will make every effort to:
- Follow the school’s expectations.
- Work hard – trying their best in all they do and showing a positive attitude to learning.
- Follow instructions from staff without delay or argument.
- Be polite, well-mannered and show respect to all members of the school community.
- Let an adult know if there is a problem.
- Complete and return homework.
- Be prepared for learning (arrive on time, with the right equipment i.e. PE Kit, swimming kit etc.)
- Contribute to lessons and listen when being spoken to.
- Stay on task
- Avoid disturbing others
• ‘Own up’ if things go wrong.
• Wear the correct school uniform and not wear make-up, nail varnish or extensions.
• Look after their possessions, taking care of books and equipment and treat school property with respect.
• Make sure their behaviour does not cause themselves or others harm or cause distress
• Make the best use of their time at St Margaret’s School.

The school expectations are part of our Home-School Agreement. These are displayed around school and the children are asked to follow these eight expectations.

• Communicate appropriately.
• Be safe.
• Do your best.
• Be respectful.
• Be responsible.
• Be co-operative.
• Be in the right place at the right time.
• Express your feelings and emotions appropriately.

Parents
I agree with St Margaret’s Home-School Agreement and believe it to be fair and reasonable. I will make every effort to ensure my child understands the agreement.

Child’s name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

Parent’s Signature: ___________________ Date: _____________________________

Child
If you feel your child is mature enough to understand the Agreement please ask them to sign below.

I will try and keep my part of the St Margaret’s Home-School Agreement.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: _____________________________

Headteacher

Signed: ___________________________ Date: _____________________________