

St. Paul's CE Junior School



Flourishing Together, Rooted in Love

Home School Policy

Standard of Education

The staff and Governors of St Paul's School aim to provide a high standard of teaching, which will provide our pupils with a broad and balanced curriculum and enable each child to reach his/her full potential.

Ethos of the School

St Paul's is a small, friendly, Christian school where the children are encouraged to care for one another in a supportive environment. The school has an important place in the local community.

Attendance

Our attendance rates are excellent, reflecting our childrens' eagerness to come! To maintain this, parents/carers must ensure their child arrives at school punctually every day (and for the whole school day) during term time, unless there is a good reason for absence. The bell goes at 8.50am

Parents must notify the school before 9 am on the first day of any absence. The school will do all they can to alert parents/carers if the child is absent and there has been no previous contact. If contact cannot be made, school will contact the police.

If a child is absent for more than one day, then parents/carers should phone or email the school to inform us of the reason for the child's continued absence. Our school administrator will make a welfare call if the child's carers/parents don't contact school.

The DfE states that parents do not have the right to take children on holiday in term time. An absence form, explaining the reasons for a request, must be completed for each absence and an explanation given as to why it is an exceptional circumstance.

Discipline and behaviour

Our children are expected to behave themselves in a polite and caring manner, showing respect for others and their property. Our standards of behaviour are high and this is because of the partnership between school and parents. Pride in our school is encouraged and parental support for this is invaluable. The Staff are sensitive to the needs of our children and pastoral care is automatically a very important part of school life.

Homework

Our homework policy emphasises the importance of parental involvement and the staff appreciate the time parents spend both helping with and ensuring tasks are completed. Teachers are more than happy to advise parents if they are unclear about any aspect of their child's work.

Each class has different requirements and children are made aware of when and how tasks should be completed and returned. Parents/carers will be informed about homework early in the Autumn term and it is then parents' responsibility to ensure these tasks are completed and returned to school on time.

Safety

As a school we make every effort to ensure our children's safety. Parents should support this by leaving and collecting their children at the right gate and using the school crossing area at all times.

Children are not allowed to come to school on a bicycle, unaccompanied, until they have passed their Bike Ability test in Year 5.

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