

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

OVERVIEW

In this school we aim to provide an ethos in which teachers and parents/carers are encouraged to support each other in the education of the young people in our care. Our intention will be to welcome parents/carers and involve them in the work and life of the school. We believe that where parents/carers are partners in the process of education the learners thrive and do well.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To welcome parents/carers to join in the work and life of the school as partners helping us to promote the school's aims.
- 2. To create clear and effective channels of communication with parents/carers.
- 3. To build on the work that parents/carers have done with their children and to enable them to continue to support the learning process both in and out of school.
- 4. To share with parents/carers a clear and accurate picture of their child's progress and achievement.
- 5. To work with parents/carers in identifying learning goals for children and in finding and implementing agreed solutions when problems arise.
- 6. To work in collaboration with parents/carers to promote the school's policies.
- 7. To involve parents/carers in meeting learners' individual and special needs.
- 8. To involve parents/carers in the social and extra curricular life of the school.

STRATEGY

- 1. Parents/carers will be welcomed in school as partners in the learning process.
- 2. Their concerns and issues will be dealt with in a professional, friendly, sensitive and prompt manner.
- 3. Strong home / school communication about learning is enabled through email, home/ school books, by telephone, via the school website or in person.
- 4. Parents/carers will be encouraged to build supportive relationships with class teachers by calling at the end of the school day for a brief word or if more time is necessary, by making appointments at mutually convenient times.
- 5. Important information from the school will be sent to parents/carers by letter.
- 6. Where a learner has an individual need parents/carers will be contacted and

invited into school to help resolve it.

- 7. Parents/carers will be given regular feedback on their child's learning, progress and achievement through parents' evenings and written reports.
- 8. Parents/carers will be encouraged to be involved in the life and work of the school in many ways including:
 - volunteering in classrooms with children or in support of teachers;
 - helping with extra-curricular activities and school visits; and
 - being involved in social and fund-raising activities

OUTCOME

The ethos of the school will be one in which parents/carers and staff are mutually supportive. As a result, learners will benefit in their development, progress and achievement. This partnership will give learners the best opportunity to benefit from school. Our links with parents/carers and the community will be used to help promote community cohesion.

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