

The Federation of Heathfield and St Francis Schools



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Dear Parents and Carers

Please see attached our St. Francis School home/school agreement; I hope you find this a useful document. If you wish to discuss any aspects please feel free to contact me, Fiona Proffitt, Head of School. Below is an introduction to the document.

Being the parent or carer of a child with special needs is tough. We all want to get the best for our children but sometimes we find this difficult, that people don't listen or have their own agenda. As a parent governor, I have seen first-hand how St. Francis school always does its best for our children and their families.

The team at St. Francis takes great care to ensure they guarantee the best possible provision for the whole school community, they consider the best interests of all the pupils in the school. Sometimes that might mean that my son misses 30 mins in the pool because someone more requiring needs the slot – that's OK. The benefits of being part of our school community, being in an enriching and fulfilling environment, far outweigh any negative effects.

That's not to say the school wouldn't listen to you if there were serious concerns. On the contrary, they welcome constructive input from parents and carers – it's a genuine desire of the school that parents and carers become more involved. The school operates an open door policy whereby we all have opportunity to get involved in the kid's education and understand the integration of therapies into the school day.

However, the school cannot work alone. We as parents need to work in partnership with the school, support the education techniques and continue the recommended therapies (physio etc.) at home. The home school agreement reflects the school's thoughts as to how we can support them in getting the best for our kids.

We can count ourselves lucky to have our children placed at St. Francis School and we should make the most of the opportunities they provide.

Please complete and return to St Francis School office.

Home School Agreement

I understand and accept the contents of the Home/School agreement.

Signed.....Parent/Carer

Child's name.....Date