

# Home School Agreement



St Monica's is a Catholic community working in partnership with families, school and parishes to teach the Catholic faith as a way of life. We provide a caring, supportive environment where everyone is of equal worth. Jesus Christ is central to our school and our main aim is that everyone can develop their God given talents and gifts to the full.

As parents/carers, I/we will help our child by:	The staff at St Monica's will help our pupils by:	As a pupil at St Monica's, I will :
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraging my child in the learning and practice of his/her faith.</li> <li>• Ensuring that my child attends school regularly, on time, properly equipped and in full school uniform.</li> <li>• Notifying the school of all absences or medical appointments on the first day of absence, following up with a note on the first day back.</li> <li>• Ensuring that we are easily contactable by phone during the school day and have provided at least two contacts.</li> <li>• Ensuring holidays are only taken during official school holidays.</li> <li>• Making the school aware of any concerns or problems that might affect my child's work or behaviour.</li> <li>• Supporting my child in homework and other opportunities for home learning by providing them with a quiet place to study and monitoring my child's homework via Show My Homework online.</li> <li>• Attending parent/carer evenings and any other meetings about my child's progress.</li> <li>• Actively supporting the school's Code of Conduct.</li> <li>• Supporting the school's healthy lifestyle policy of no fizzy drinks or energy drinks in school.</li> <li>• Supporting the school's mobile phone policy and understanding that phones may be confiscated and placed in the school safe until a parent/carer can collect at an agreed time.</li> <li>• Paying for any damage to the school caused by the misbehaviour of my child.</li> <li>• Getting to know my child's life at the school.</li> <li>• Monitoring my child's internet use and encouraging responsible behaviour online.</li> <li>• Praising and celebrating their achievements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating a community which enables your child to grow in faith and to participate in liturgical celebrations and charitable activities.</li> <li>• Caring for your child's safety and happiness.</li> <li>• Making every effort to help your child achieve his/her full potential as a valued member of the school community.</li> <li>• Encouraging your child to work cooperatively, preserving the teacher's right to teach and the learner's right to learn.</li> <li>• Providing a broad and balanced curriculum which meets the individual needs of your child as closely as possible.</li> <li>• Achieving a high standard of work and behaviour through building good relationships and developing a sense of responsibility.</li> <li>• Providing support and intervention if your child requires academic or pastoral assistance.</li> <li>• Keeping you informed about general school matters and about your child's progress in particular, through reports, letters, the school website and meetings.</li> <li>• Challenging and disciplining those pupils who do not abide by our Code of Conduct.</li> <li>• Encouraging your child to take part in extra-curricular spiritual, social and physical activities.</li> <li>• Celebrating the achievements of your child.</li> <li>• Offering parents/carers opportunities to exchange information, ask questions, express views and to be involved in the life of the school, through the PTFA, Parent/Carer Council and community events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make every effort to support the spiritual life of school and never deter other pupils in the love and practice of their faith.</li> <li>• Attend school regularly and on time, observing the school rules on the way to and from school.</li> <li>• Wear the school uniform correctly and abide by the rules with regard to make-up, hairstyles, jewellery etc.</li> <li>• Respect the right of teachers to teach and of learners to learn.</li> <li>• Uphold the good reputation of the school on the way to and from school, during extra-curricular activities and on school trips.</li> <li>• Bring all the equipment I need every day – such as my books, pen, ruler etc.</li> <li>• Complete all my classwork and homework as well as I can.</li> <li>• Follow the school rules with regard to mobile phones.</li> <li>• Check Show My Homework regularly and complete homework to the best of my ability.</li> <li>• Be polite and respectful to all members of the school community and its visitors.</li> <li>• Behave properly and not disrupt lessons.</li> <li>• Respect the school premises and the local community by keeping areas free from litter and graffiti. Making sure I use the correct toilets and stay in the correct playground at social times.</li> <li>• Engage in extra-curricular and enrichment activities.</li> <li>• Celebrate my achievements and those of my peers.</li> <li>• Talk to parents/carers, teachers or another appropriate adult about any worries I have about me or my friends.</li> <li>• Abide by the school policy on healthy lifestyles by not consuming fizzy drinks or energy drinks in school.</li> </ul>