

Home School Charter 2023 - 2024

This document has been prepared to share the joint responsibilities and expectations between parents and school.

Our priority is to further build our positive relationships between pupils, parents and school staff, based on mutual respect, trust and clear communication. This will support us to deliver a first-class education to your child, and support their emotional and social well-being. By sending your child(ren) to Moorside Primary School and Nursery, you are agreeing to abide by our policies and actively support our vision and aims set out below.

The Staff and Governors of Moorside Primary School and Nursery Vision:

We will give our children a secure foundation for life through:

- * A culture of success and achievement for all.
- * An aspirational and inspirational curriculum.
- * Strong relationships between the school, families, pupils and our community.
- * A whole school inclusive and nurturing ethos.
- * High expectations for all stakeholders, surrounding our children with the best educators and specialists.

Mission:

Our school nurtures and grows curiosity and creativity through an inspiring, rich and engaging curriculum, where our community is at the heart of all that we do. Our children learn to become resilient and self-assured learners in an environment which is safe. Everyone is challenged and encouraged to thrive and achieve as individuals, preparing them for their role as caring and active citizens.

Our Ethos and Values - Moorside PRIDE:

Presentation and PRIDE in all we do.Respect, for others and our world.Independence, to succeed ourselves.Determination, to achieve.Enthusiasm, and a love of learning.

Our Aims:

We have 4 main aims at Moorside to ensure that the children are supported throughout their learning journey at our school.

1. Our aim is keep children safe and ensure they are aware of danger, and how to seek help.

At school we will:

- Provide a safe environment for children to learn, with school rules and guidance to ensure children are cared for and feel secure.
- Ensure all children are aware of our inclusive ethos and know where to seek support if they feel that they are being bullied or discriminated against.
- Deliver (as part of our curriculum) information and strategies about keeping safe, including (at an age appropriate level) e-safety, stranger danger, substance misuse and first aid.

To support this we ask parents and carers to:

- Reinforce our school rule to BE KIND to others.
- Speak to school directly when you are concerned about your child's emotional wellbeing, especially if any circumstances change at home.
- Supervise your child when they use the internet to monitor for suitability the age rating and content of films and computer games.

• Work with school to support your child with any behaviour and/or friendship concerns.

Children will:

- Think carefully about their decisions and behave thoughtfully, being polite and kind to others.
- Take part in PHSCE and class solution circle sessions and put their learning into practice to keep themselves and others safe.
- Follow rules and instructions (including school expectations about acceptable internet use).

2. Our Aim is to provide a curriculum they enjoy and achieve through a breadth of activities to develop their skills and continue their learning beyond school. At school we will:

- Design a curriculum which 'promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils at the school and of society, and prepares pupils at the school for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life.' (National Curriculum 2014).
- Deliver lessons that meet the needs of the children in the classroom to make good progress based on the best teaching practise.
- Provide regular homework tasks, including reading and spellings.
- Contact you as soon as possible if we are concerned about your child's progress or behaviour and respond as soon as possible if you contact us.
- Keep you informed about events and activities at school.

To support this, we ask parents and carers to:

- Make sure your child is in school on time and attends school every day.
- Provide positive reading experiences at home, including listening to them read daily or reading to your child, and have discussions together about what has been read.
- Provide a quiet time and space for children to do their homework.
- Ask your child about their learning and support them to find out about things that interest them.
- Attend parent consultations, information evenings and share your child's report with them.
- Read and reply to school correspondence as required.
- Support extra-curricular activities and events such as school performances and Friends of Moorside Schools events.

Children will:

- Attend school every day and be on time.
- Demonstrate Moorside PRIDE in all they do.
- Take part in all learning tasks and opportunities in school.
- Read at home to an adult and complete homework on time.
- Keep their school tidy and be ready for learning in their school uniform or appropriate kit for PE or Forest School.

3. Our Aim is to help children to become involved in making decisions that affect them. At school we will:

- Support your child to be independent and take responsibility for their decisions.
- Ensure your child has targets to support them to challenge their learning and take pride in their achievements.
- Coach your child to think about outcomes of decisions they take and celebrate with them when they have been successful.
- Promote personal and moral values such as respect for others, good manners and honesty.

To support this, we ask parents and carers to:

- Talk about choices and encourage your child to think about how these affect themselves and others.
- Encourage them to have confidence in the choices they make for themselves, by avoiding peer pressure.
- Celebrate good behaviour and successes.
- Encourage children to respond to challenging situations by finding solutions.

Children will:

- Be responsible for the consequences of the choices they make.
- Support others to make the right choices.
- Think carefully about their choices before they act, having the confidence to make the right choices, even if others aren't.

4. Our Aim is to support children to maintain and promote healthy lifestyles for now and the future.

At school we will:

- Encourage children to take part in physical activities as part of our curriculum and join sports clubs at the school and/or the local community.
- Promote the importance of a balanced diet and regular meals.
- Create a sense of belonging to promote good mental health by building strong relationships amongst children, staff and parents to promote mental wellness.
- Nurture the children and support them to develop a Growth Mindset, understanding how to learn from mistakes and use these as stepping stones in their learning.

To support this, we ask parents and carers to:

- Encourage your child to take part in regular physical activities with the correct PE kit in school during the week.
- Engage positively with all school staff, modelling how to build positive relationships.
- Ensure your child eats a healthy breakfast every morning, is encouraged to eat fruit at break times and drink water throughout the day.

Children will:

- Wear the correct PE kit/Outdoor clothing for their PE and Forest school lessons and join in sporting activities at school.
- Be KIND to each other.
- Understand the importance of developing a Growth Mindset.
- Work hard to build positive relationships in school.

Attendance – our aim is to provide consistency for all children through a progressive curriculum and support to make progress in line with their peers.

At school we will:

- Provide a safe environment
- Use technology respectfully and safely to allow children to interact with their peers and other school staff.
- Nurture and support children to access their learning with their peers by promoting good attendance

To support us, we ask parents to:

- Ensure punctuality and consistent attendance
- Ensure that your child is in school if they are fit and well.
- Promote regular attendance with your child and the importance of taking part in all activities.
- Keep us informed of any changes to your child's health and well-being.
- Adhere to the NYCC holiday request guidance and only take children out of school under exceptional circumstances, as authorised by the Headteacher.

• Children will:

- Follow routines and adult instructions.
- Continue to demonstrate PRIDE in all they do.
- Arrive at school having had a healthy breakfast and a good night's sleep, ready for learning.

Please read this information with your child and sign the return agreement on the next page.

Thank you for supporting our school,

Mrs C Rowett Headteacher Moorside Primary School and Nursery



Home School Charter Agreement 2023-2024

Parent/carer name
Signature
Child's name
Signature