Varlingham School

Wide Horizons High Aspirations

HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Please read the Home-School Agreement terms set out below and note that by accepting a place at Warlingham School you and your child/children are agreeing to work in partnership with the school in line with these values and to follow our school code.

Warlingham School Values and Aims

Warlingham School is a caring, supportive environment, where children and staff are happy, where we work with integrity and respect, and where everyone is challenged to reach their highest possible achievement.

Our key values are: Commitment, Courage, and Kindness

We ask that every student who joins Warlingham does so on the understanding that they will uphold these values through their actions and words. Likewise, we take our motto of "Wide Horizons, High Aspirations" very seriously and build in opportunities for our students to develop as individuals through the taught curriculum and an extensive range of additional activities. We expect all Warlingham students to strive to engage in the school and become the best version of the Warlingham Learner they can be. We encourage every individual to be an active member of our community and participate fully in the opportunities that are offered. We also insist that students fully respect the rights of others to engage in the learning and development opportunities at Warlingham School.

At Warlingham School we aim to:

- help every student, and every member of staff, to achieve more than they ever thought possible, regardless of their starting points by developing into Warlingham Learners
- be a community of excellence where we hold high expectations for success in ourselves and in others
- foster an environment where individuals take responsibility for themselves and show respect for others as part of a healthy and safe community
- value and embrace the fact that we are all different and show tolerance for the beliefs, faiths and opinions of others
- prepare students for successful and fulfilling adult lives by giving them opportunities to experience work, volunteering and to participate in their community
- help our students to develop into articulate, confident, courteous and considerate citizens
- promote a love of learning by high quality and engaging teaching which delivers great learning outcomes
- celebrate the varied achievements of all students and all members of staff.

School Code

We believe that students, parents, staff, governors and all others within the school community have the responsibility, to work in partnership to uphold the Warlingham School Code. It applies to all activities and at any time on the school premises, on school journeys, on the way to and from school and at school events. The Warlingham School Code helps to maintain a community which is considerate, where interaction is based on mutual respect, and which fosters outstanding learning and teaching.

The Warlingham School Code comprises five guiding principles:

- to attend school and to be punctual
- to be properly dressed, equipped and organised for all school activities
- to follow all instructions of staff
- to complete all tasks set to the best of one's ability
- to treat oneself, others and the school environment with respect

Specific school rules and expectations support the five guiding principles. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of specific school rules and expectations and to act accordingly at all times. The school rules are reviewed annually but may be amended as the year progresses to suit changing circumstances.

We expect all students to uphold the School Code and to make a positive contribution to school / community activities.

Partnership with Parents/Carers

We ask all parents/carers to work in partnership with the school by:

- maximising learning opportunities by providing your child with the necessary equipment and resources and providing an appropriate environment to ensure that homework is completed
- arranging family holidays, appointments, etc. outside of school hours
- ensuring that your child attends school at all possible times and that he/she is punctual to registration and all lessons, promoting and supporting good behaviour
- communicating relevant information to the school
- checking and signing your child's planner at least once a week
- conducting yourself/yourselves in a respectful manner when dealing with members of the school community
- attending all meetings relevant to your child
- supporting staff when dealing with issues concerning your child's behaviour in and around the school building
- ensuring that your child attends all school commitments, including detentions
- ensuring that your child is dressed according to the school uniform policy

Remote Home Learning and Improving as a Warlingham Learner

During times of school closure, we expect all Warlingham Learners to demonstrate courage and commitment to their learning and to follow the school online learning expectations:

Achievement

- Be online and on time for my live lessons and tutor period (WL we plan and anticipate)
- Submit all learning tasks
- Check email and Satchel every day
- Communicate with my teacher regularly via email.

Respect

• Only turn my microphone on when I am asked to speak or when responding to questions. (WL - we think of

others before we act)

• Make sure that I am dressed appropriately for learning (what you would wear for an out of uniform day)

- Keep my online chat focused on the learning. Ensure chat is respectful of all participants.
- Keep my mobile phone off and away from me whilst I am learning online. (WL -We are capable of managing

distractions)

Commitment

- Complete all online and offline learning tasks (WL -we keep going, even when things are hard)
- Log into additional assistance live sessions if I need help.
- If I have technical issues, I will email my teacher, find out what I missed and contact IT support for help.
- Single task focus during online lessons. No chatting or checking social media while trying to do your School work. (WL We are capable of managing distractions)

Community

- Contribute to online discussions (WL we volunteer)
- Offer support and assistance to my peers.
- Remember to be patient with my family/carers; they may be feeling anxious too.
- Join in and contribute to forum style activities (WL -we celebrate our differences and treat people as equals)
- Be patient with my teachers as online teaching is new to them as well.
- Be patient but also alert the teacher to ways things may be improved.
- There is to be no filming, recording or sharing content (you must not take screenshots or record staff

members presenting information to you)

You are to inform all members of your household that you will be joining a video conference and that they can be seen (if your camera is on) and heard (if your microphone is on)

Responsible for Agreement:	Mr S Day, Deputy Head Teacher
Date:	24 February 2021
Approved:	Local Governing Body Committee
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