

Appendix 6: Home/School Agreement

We believe that a constructive partnership between school and home is an essential part of an effective education. This document sets out to make clear the reasonable expectations of each partner in the education process. The signatories to this agreement will work in partnership to encourage achievement and uphold high standards.

Aims and Values

At The Bishop's Stortford High School, we pride ourselves on providing a **truly all-round education** for our students. We value: **Commitment, Aspiration, Respect, Integrity and Community**. Our guiding principles are based on academic excellence and personal fulfilment, within a forward looking and disciplined environment. We aim to develop responsible and resilient students with a love of learning and provide a wealth of opportunities for all to contribute to the life of school and our community.

The School will make every effort to:

- care for your son's safety and happiness and set high expectations in all aspects of school life
- provide a balanced curriculum appropriate to your son's need
- monitor his welfare, attendance, punctuality, conduct, effort, progress and overall quality of education delivered
- contact parents/carers where there are any areas of concern relating to these
- keep parents/carers regularly informed about general school matters and events
- be open and welcoming and offer parents/carers opportunities to be involved in the life of the school



Signed (Head teacher)

As Parent(s)/Carer(s) I/We will make every effort to:

- ensure that my son attends school regularly, on time and properly equipped
- support the school's standards of dress and high expectations
- support the school's policies and guidelines for behaviour
- make the school aware of any concerns or problems that might affect my son's work or behaviour
- ensure that my son invests sufficient time and effort in his homework, and check SMHW
- support the school's extra-curricular activities by allowing them, wherever possible, to take priority over out-of-school commitments
- attend parents' consultations and information evenings, getting to know about my son's life at school
- advise school of any absence on or before the first day of absence
- not take family holidays during term time without prior authorisation from the school
- support school fixtures, performances and events

Signed _____ (Parent/Carer)

As a student at The Bishop's Stortford High School I will make every effort to:

- attend school regularly and on time
- bring all the equipment I need every day
- meet the school's high expectations of behaviour and standards of dress
- complete all classwork and homework to the best of my ability and hand it in on time
- make the most of the extra-curricular activities on offer and be willing to fulfil commitments to the best of my ability
- be polite and helpful to others as a good citizen and member of our community, both on and off school premises
- respect the school, its property, staff and fellow students and help to keep it free from litter and graffiti

Signed _____ (Student)