



Our Mission Statement
Listen, Love, Learn

At Our Lady's:

We are inspired, strengthened and encouraged by our Catholic faith.

*We place Jesus at the centre of everything we do and say, **listening** to Him with our hearts.*

*We spread **love** everywhere we go, valuing and caring for each other.*

*We strive to be the best **learners** we can, using and celebrating our God given gifts.*

"For he who is mighty has done great things for me, and Holy is his name"

Luke 1: 49

We the staff, parents & carers, and governors do this through:

- A well planned and well delivered curriculum, where children are expected to discover and achieve their personal goals.
- Setting boundaries and developing patterns of good behaviour, respect and care for others.
- Creating a secure and caring environment encouraging the Catholic Christian traditions of worship and community service, in the context of a multi-cultural community, and celebrating that we are all uniquely made in God's image.

Our School mantra is: 'Getting Better Never Stops'

In order to achieve the aims set out by the Governors of our school, we all have certain roles and responsibilities we need to fulfil.

As Governors we will:

- Take an active role in School life, making ourselves known to the School Community.
- Actively support the School in the implementation of the School's policies.
- Meet regularly with the Head Teacher.
- Play an active role in the development of the School.

As a member of Staff we will ensure that:

- All pupils are treated equally and encouraged to work to the best of their ability.
- Issues brought to our attention will be listened to carefully and dealt with promptly, fairly and consistently.
- Instructions given and expectations set, are appropriate and clearly understood.

As Parents & Carers we will:

- Ensure children arrive at School; on time, dressed appropriately and fully equipped for their learning.
- Be aware of the policies and expectations of the School and will actively support the implementation of them.
- Liaise with the School by way of letters, informal discussions with class teachers, formal parents' meetings and interviews with the Head Teacher.
- Ensure the School has up to date medical information and emergency contact details.
- Inform the School of any significant changes to home circumstances.

As Pupils we will ensure that:

- Our actions, in and around the School, are always in line with the School values and that we work to the best of our ability.
- We keep to the School rules we have helped to create; by behaving appropriately in class, in the playground and around the School.
- We will respond appropriately and with respect to all adults in our School community.
- We all work together as a close community to ensure that we meet our aims.

Behaviour:

The School, its playground and its immediate environment, should be a secure and unthreatening place where good behaviour and respect for others is always the norm.

We ask that Parents & Carers:

- Make themselves aware and agree to adhere to all School policies and procedures.
- Refrain from discussing concerns over other parents' children.
- Share any concerns regarding your child's interaction with another child, or interactions between adults with the Head Teacher and will not attempt to resolve the situation themselves.

Homework - The School will:

- Set homework tailored to the needs of your child, to extend the curriculum and provide the opportunity for independent learning. Clear instructions will be given so that you will be able to help your child if required.
- Support parents by providing information and training sessions that will ensure you are able to support your child.

At home we ask that you:

- Support your child and the School by making sure that homework tasks are completed and returned on time.
- Discuss with your child the different areas of learning, using the information sent home on a termly basis. Your child will benefit greatly from what you can show them, discuss with them and teach them.

Permission for outings:

- To enhance the curriculum, teachers will plan out of School learning experiences.
- A number of these outings will involve visits within the local area; to Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, the local area and the K2 Leisure Centre. We ask that in signing this agreement you give consent for your child to take part in these visits.
- For all other outings and visits, where consent will be required, we will send home relevant information before the trip takes place.

E-Safety

Alongside this Home School Agreement, we expect parents & carers to support us in monitoring children's use of technological devices and the Internet at home. Children will be asked to sign an Acceptable Use Policy in school.

NB An up to date list of School Policies, upon which this Home School Agreement is based, can be found in the 'Key Information' section on our website.