

**Sydenham School
Home School
Agreement
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By signing this agreement we will be making a commitment to work together. It is a three-way commitment between the school, family and the student.

As parents/guardians I/we agree to make sure that my/our child:

- attends school every day, arrives in good time and is fully equipped
- is actively supported in their studies at home and has a quiet place to complete homework etc.
- understands the Behavior and Anti-Bullying Policies and the consequences of poor behaviour
- is always in correct school uniform as set out in uniform policies.

I/We also agree to:

- attend Parents' Meetings and any other meeting as required to discuss my/our child's progress
- make the school aware immediately of any change in circumstances which might affect my/our child's work, behaviour or mental well-being
- inform the school of any changes in my/our contact details
- respect the rules of the school and support the school in any sanction that may need to be administered.

Signature(s)

As professionals at Sydenham School, we agree to:

- provide a balanced curriculum and meet the individual needs of your child
- mark and assess work and set realistic yet challenging targets to ensure that your child is supported to make excellent progress and reach their full potential
- keep you informed about general developments within the school and your child's progress in particular
- provide a safe, disciplined and stimulating environment in which your child can learn effectively
- recognise your child's successes and reward her progress and achievements
- be available to listen, to discuss and act to resolve any concerns that may be expressed by parents or your child.

Signature(s)

As a student of Sydenham School, I agree to:

Follow the As Sydenham Students Code of Conduct

Signature(s)

Covid-Safe Addendum to the Home School Agreement

By signing this agreement, we will be making a commitment to work together to keep our community and our families safe from Covid-19. By us all following a few key expectations of each other, we can support each other keep Sydenham School a safe place to learn and make good progress.

As parents/carers I/we agree to make sure that the following protocols in relation to the health of my child and hygiene requirements are upheld:

- I/we will check my child's health every morning before they leave for school and will not send them to school if they are displaying any symptoms of Covid-19, no matter how mild. If they do show symptoms, I will order an NHS test as soon as possible, inform the school, and update the school as soon as I receive the test results.
- I/we will not send my child to school if any member of my household has displayed symptoms of the Covid-19 in the last 14 days, unless that member of the household has had a negative result from a Covid-19 test via the NHS/Public Health England and we have been given notification that we no longer need to self isolate
- I/we will share details about a positive or negative Covid-19 test result within my household with the school at the earliest possible opportunity to ensure effective tracing within the school community
- I/we will ensure that our emergency contact details are up to date on the school system.
- I/we will ensure that I/we make reasonable steps to ensure we can be contacted at all times whilst my child is on the school site to ensure that they can be collected or sent home immediately if showing symptoms of Covid-19.
- I/we give our permission for my child's temperature to be taken by school staff if judged necessary by school staff
- I/we will notify the school attendance team if my child is unable to attend school on a scheduled day and notify if this is linked to Covid-19
- I/we will ensure that my child carries tissues with them at all times, in order to follow the Catch It, Bin It, Kill It protocol
- I/we will ensure that my child understands the importance of good hand hygiene and understands how to wash or sanitise their hands in line with Public Health England guidelines
- I/we will ensure my child understands the Public Health England guidelines about the safe use of face coverings.

As parents/carers I/we agree to make sure that the following protocols in relation to travel to and from school are upheld:

- I/we will not park near the school site unsafely causing danger to other children, pedestrians or motorists. I/we will respect the private property of residents and businesses in close proximity to the school site
- I/we will follow the recommendations on transport to and from school and will ensure my child walks, scoots or cycles to school wherever possible
- I will ensure that my child understands that it is their responsibility to follow instructions from Transport for London about wearing a face covering and social distancing on public transport
- I/we will ensure that my child goes straight home after leaving the Sydenham School site and limits contact with individuals outside my household, in line with the expectations set out by the Government. I/we understand that a failure to do so puts others at risk and brings the reputation of Sydenham School into disrepute, and may result in a sanction in line with the Sydenham School Behaviour Policy.

As parents/carers I/we agree to make sure that the following protocols in relation to Parent/Carer presence on and around the school site are upheld:

- I/we conduct all meetings with school staff remotely if possible
- I/we will not enter Sydenham School if we are displaying any symptoms of Covid-19

- I /we only enter the Sydenham School site with prior agreement of the school. Where an on site meeting is necessary, only one parent or carer will attend unless with prior agreement of the school
- I/we will adhere to the allocated drop off and collection times and the process for doing so, including protocols for minimising adult to adult contact (for example, which entrance to use)
- I/we will not gather at the school gates and if I am collecting my child I will ensure I am socially distanced from other members of the Sydenham School Community

As parents/carers I/we agree to make sure that the following protocols in relation to my child's behaviour on the school site are upheld:

- I/we will ensure my child understands the Covid-Safe Behaviour Code of Conduct and will follow it at all times on the school site.
- I/we understand that a failure to follow the Covid-Safe Behaviour Code of Conduct may result in a fixed term exclusion for my child.
- I/we will make my child aware of the Covid-Safe Behaviour Code of Conduct and the importance of following these behaviours at all times.
- I/we will support the school's decision in relation to sanctions related to a failure to follow the Covid-Safe Behaviour Code of Conduct

As parents/carers I/we agree to make sure that the following protocols in relation to my child's home learning are upheld in case of another lock down or school closure:

- I/we will support my child to maintain a regular routine to complete home learning
- I/we will ensure that my child is checking Show My Homework and emails from staff and completing the allocated home learning
- I/we will contact subject teachers or form tutors if my child requires additional support
- I/we will alert the school if my child has problems accessing the home learning
- I/we will ensure our child adheres to the protocols for live sessions with members of staff (eg. Office Hours Sessions or Live Tutor Sessions)

As staff at Sydenham School, we agree to:

- Ensure that all health and safety compliance checks and risk assessments have been undertaken, are kept up to date and that risk assessment measures are upheld by all staff
- Ensure that the latest Department for Education guidance on the opening of schools is implemented at Sydenham School
- Communicate all plans and changes to arrangements with families and students in as timely a manner as possible
- Provide a safe, disciplined and happy environment in which all students can learn effectively
- Provide structured and safe places for students to spend social time with each other
- Be available to listen to, discuss and act to resolve concerns expressed by parents /carers and students
- Consistently respond to students who are not following Covid-Safe Behaviour Protocols to ensure that the safety of the school community is maintained
- Follow Covid-Safe hygiene protocols.

As a student of Sydenham School, I will:

- Follow the Sydenham School Covid-Safe Behaviour Code of Conduct alongside the As Sydenham Students Code of Conduct.