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# Maricourt Catholic High School

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Home school  
agreement and  
consent forms

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**Student Name**.....

**Present School**.....

**To parents/carers, you are requested to read and sign this booklet where appropriate.**  
**A copy is enclosed for your records.** Please return to this to: **Maricourt Admissions Office** as soon as possible, *in the envelope provided*, this will enable us to complete the necessary admin. and ease the transition of your child into secondary school

# HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

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**Agreement made between the parents or carer of the pupil named and the Governors of Maricourt Catholic High School.**

**Sr Mary Teresa, Chair of Governors**

**Mr B McLoughlin, Headteacher**

**The responsibility for the education of any child is shared between home and school.** All pupils are subject to the discipline, rules and regulations of the school. There can be no exceptions and by enrolling your child at Maricourt you are accepting this.

## **What pupils and parents can expect from Maricourt Catholic High School:**

- A lived experience of a community based on Christian principles
- A curriculum embedding Gospel Values, especially in Religious Education and the school's liturgy, to provide the foundation for spiritual development.
- A religious education programme in conformity with the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church.
- A strong pastoral system to give a secure foundation from which to develop a proper sense of self-worth.
- A very strong stance against any form of bullying
- Access to opportunities for pupils throughout the full ability range to experience a learning programme which enhances self-reliance, self-discipline and the skills necessary to play an active and positive role in the management of their own education.
- A well balanced curriculum supported by facilities (teaching and resources) which will enable pupils to aim at and reach their academic potential.
- A monitoring system throughout a pupil's career in the school to assist maximum progress.
- A school resourced with up to date technological equipment.
- Accessibility for parents, through appointments, when they need to discuss matters regarding their child. The Head of Year or Assistant Head of Year is the focal point for general concerns.
- A wide programme of extra-curricular activities.
- A homework policy supported by a homework timetable.
- An orderly and highly disciplined working environment in which respect for others and academic values are stressed.
- One annual parents' consultation evening, regular communications to keep you up to date with developments in school.
- An internal monitoring review will take place prior to parents evening and a full written report will be sent to parents once each academic year.

## **What Maricourt Catholic High School expects from parents:**

- Awareness of and full support for school rules and the school behavior policy, as set out in the Prospectus, so that the school can maintain its high standard of behavior and discipline.
- High attendance and punctuality rates for children and the avoidance, except in exceptional circumstances, of taking family holidays during term time.
- *Full co-operation with regard to school uniform including outdoor coats and abiding by the regulations on hairstyles and jewellery.*
- Information which might affect the well-being or progress of their child.
- Interest and involvement in the education of children-checking and signing completed homework, checking and signing the organiser each week, attending parents consultation evenings, returning absence notes and reply slips promptly, supporting school functions.

- Supporting the Catholic ethos of the school.
- Co-operation with regard to the payment of the voluntary school fund and participation in whatever way possible in the events organised for the Friends of Maricourt.
- Full support for school sanctions including after school detentions with regard to lack of homework, behavior problems, and poor punctuality.
- Support for the school in ensuring their children always behave well when in school uniform on their way to and from school.

### **What Maricourt Catholic High School expects from you (pupil):**

- To comply with the Code of Conduct and Classroom expectations as displayed in all classrooms in the school.
- To be aware of the rules of the school and abide by them at all times.
- To act with courtesy and consideration towards others at all times both in and out of school.
- To take pride in the school uniform, what the school stands for, and the family ethos of the school
- To try to understand other people's point of view.
- To make maximum effort in all aspects of schoolwork and to make it as easy as possible for everyone to learn and the teacher to teach.
- To complete homework to the best of your ability and hand it in on time, making sure that it is signed by your parents.
- To participate in the life of the school outside the classroom.
- To participate fully in the religious life of the school.
- To be aware that the school is your home during the school day and to play your part in keeping the school neat and tidy so that it is a welcoming place we can be proud of.
- To take great care of school equipment and anything on loan to you from the school such as textbooks.
- Always to show respect for other pupils and never to say or do anything to deliberately hurt another either physically or emotionally.

## PHOTOGRAPHS AND MEDIA IMAGES

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- ✓ I understand that photographs and videos may be taken by the school for the purpose of recording pupils' activities and attainment.
- ✓ I understand that this will be done sensitively and in a positive manner and that this is for internal use only.
- ✓ I agree that you may use an unidentified picture of my child

I understand that the Headteacher will make any decision about inviting the press, radio or television into school and that in those circumstances, my wishes stated in the form will be observed

- ✓ I understand that, if at any point while my child is attending this school I change my mind, I need to let you know in writing about the changes.

## INTERNET ACCESS

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**All pupils use computer facilities including internet access as an essential part of learning, as required by the National Curriculum. Both pupils and their parents/carers are asked to sign to show that the e-safety rules have been understood and agreed.**

## **PUPIL AGREEMENT**

- ✓ I have read and I understand the school's e-safety rules
- ✓ I will use the computer, network, mobile phones, internet access and other new technologies in a responsible way at all times.
- ✓ I will not use the network and internet for anything which may be considered cyber-bullying.
- ✓ I know that the network and internet access may be monitored.

### **Parent's Consent for Web Publication of Work and Photographs**

I agree that my son/daughter's work may be electronically published. I also agree that appropriate images and video that include my son/daughter may be published subject to the school rule that photographs will not be accompanied by pupil names.

### **Parent's Consent for Internet Access**

I have read and understood the school e-safety rules and give permission for my son/daughter to access the internet. I understand that the school will take all reasonable precautions to ensure that pupils cannot access inappropriate materials but I appreciate that this is a difficult task.

(The school may exercise its right to monitor the use of the school's computer systems, including access to websites, the interception of e-mail and the deletion of inappropriate materials where it believes unauthorized use of the school's computer system may be taking place, or the system may be being used for criminal purposes or storing unauthorised or unlawful text, imagery or sound).

## **SCHOOL TRIPS AND OTHER OFF-SITE ACTIVITIES**

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All school trips are risk assessed through EVOLVE, a management system used across all of Sefton schools and youth centres.

## **CONSENT FOR USE OF BIOMETRIC INFORMATION**

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I consent to information from my child's fingerprint being taken and used as part of the cashless catering system used to pay for food and drink in the dining rooms.

## **SIGNATURE FOR ALL CONSENT FORMS**

### **Headteacher signature**

I/we have read through all the consent forms, with my son/daughter.

I/we shall endeavour to support my/our son/daughter to meet Maricourt's expectations in all aspects of school life.

**PARENTAL SIGNATURE(S):**

**DATE:**

I have read through the details which give me responsibility as a Maricourt Catholic High School student. I shall always co-operate with the School and do my best in all areas of school life.

**PUPIL SIGNATURE:**

**DATE:**