



ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Home-School Agreement Guidance Notes

Introduction and purpose

Welcome to St Richard Reynolds Catholic College. The Principal, Staff and Governors of the College are delighted to welcome you and your family to our College community.

The main aim of the College is to provide a world-class Catholic education for your child. It will be a place where our young people will come first, be loved, listened to, challenged and inspired.

One of the ways in which the College seeks to involve parents in its aims is through the signing of a Home-School agreement. All schools are required by law to adopt a Home-School agreement. A Home-School agreement is a statement which specifies:

1. the aims and objectives of the College;
2. what parents can expect the College to provide;
3. what the College expects parents to do to support their children's progress at the College;
and
4. the College's expectations of its pupils.

Parents/carers are asked to read the Home-School agreement that they have been provided with and sign the parental statement which signifies that parents:

1. take note of the College's aims and values;
2. take note of the College's responsibilities;
3. acknowledge their responsibilities as parents/carers; and
4. acknowledge the College's expectations of its pupils' conduct.

All pupils in year 7 are also invited to sign the pupil statement which you have received with the parental statement and they will be asked to review this declaration at the start of every academic year.

This Home-School agreement will be reviewed by the College every academic year and as part of this review parents, and pupils from Year 7 upwards will be asked for their views on any proposed changes. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the Home-School agreement or should you have any questions or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact the College.

Our College's Mission Statement, aims and values

- The College will operate in partnership with parents, local parishes and the local Catholic community. This Home-School agreement is an integral part of this partnership.
- The College will seek to be an integral part of the local Catholic community which shares the mission of the Church to proclaim The Gospel of Jesus Christ and it will attempt to serve as a witness to the Catholic faith in all that it does.
- Parents/carers are the primary educators of their children and the aim of the College will be to enrich what parents/carers achieve and support them in their task as educators. The College and its teaching staff will work in partnership with parents/carers and the College acknowledges the request of every parent/carer of every child in the College to be part of that learning partnership.
- The College will aim to assist Catholic parents and carers to fulfil their obligation to educate their children in accordance with the principles and teachings of the Church. Catholic teaching and practice will permeate every aspect of the College's activity and daily prayer and worship will be an integral part of the curriculum.

Our responsibilities to your child

We acknowledge our responsibility to support parents in their task of nurturing their children towards human wholeness within a Catholic community. To this end the College will:

- Demonstrate our faith in our College's foundation in the teaching of Jesus Christ, by what we teach and the way we live and worship in our College
- Provide a friendly welcome to your child and a secure, stimulating, Catholic environment in which to learn
- Treat your child with dignity and respect, encouraging them to their full human wholeness and valuing them as an individual
- Provide excellent teaching which meets your child's learning needs and helps them to reach their academic potential
- Challenge your child to strive for the highest standards of spiritual, academic moral, social and cultural development
- Provide you with information about your child's progress and opportunities to meet with teachers
- Communicate with you if there is a problem with your child's attendance, punctuality, behaviour, progress or any other concerns
- Engage you fully in the life of the College and keep you well-informed through good communication
- Listen to your suggestions as to how life at the College could be provided

We will do our best to provide the best possible education for every child and we would be very happy to welcome you if you would like to contribute to the College's broader curriculum. We appreciate that as a body you can bring a wealth of talent, experience, diversity and enthusiasm to our College.

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