



St. Patrick's Grammar School

Home-School Agreement

To be signed at the commencement of each academic year.

Please read the information below and use the online Data Capture Microsoft Form to show your agreement.

The central aim of St. Patrick's Grammar School is to develop fully the potential of each student. We strive to promote a broad, balanced range of learning experiences in an atmosphere of mutual respect and trust, based on gospel values and the De La Salle ethos. We stress traditional values of good conduct and high achievement, while also seeking to prepare students to be ready to accept their responsibilities of belonging to the wider community.

We believe very strongly in the triangular partnership involving pupils, parents and the school. This document sets down the expectations we have as a school and our commitment to your son/daughter.

St. Patrick's Grammar School undertakes to:

- care for your son/daughter's safety and well-being;
- provide a broad, balanced curriculum that meets the individual needs of each student;
- encourage high standards of teaching and the expectation that all students should achieve results in line with their abilities and commitment;
- ensure the setting and marking of homework on a regular basis;
- provide continuing Form Teacher support and advice throughout a student's education at school;
- provide a Personal Development Programme, a careers education and counselling service, the acquiring of study skills and opportunities to reflect upon making appropriate choices in a range of moral, social and health related matters;
- be a Healthy-Eating School;
- provide regular opportunities for parents to discuss their son/daughter's progress with their Form Teacher, Subject Teachers and/or Head of Year;
- encourage high standards of behaviour by building good relations and developing a sense of responsibility;
- keep you informed about general school matters and your son/daughter's progress;
- keep the school environment in good order;
- be open and welcoming at all times and offer you the opportunity to become involved in the life of the school.

As parents, I/we undertake to:

- support the school in seeking to achieve the highest standards of work and behaviour and appearance at all times, in accordance with school policies;
- ensure that all set homework and class work are completed to the best of my son/daughter's ability;
- see that my son/daughter attends St. Patrick's Grammar School regularly, on time and properly equipped for classes;

- make the school aware of any concerns that might affect my son/daughter's work or behaviour;
- see that my son/daughter complies with the school uniform requirements and is in full school uniform when travelling to and from school;
- ensure that an up to date and tidy Student Planner is maintained which I will sign on a weekly basis;
- monitor my son/daughter's use of social networking sites, particularly with regard to references to other students or staff of the school;
- ensure that all school books are kept in good condition and free from graffiti and that textbooks are handed back in good condition at the end of the academic year, or when requested;
- **avoid taking holidays during term time, recognising that all absence from school has a detrimental effect on learning;**
- attend Parents' Evenings and consultations about my son/daughter's progress and performance;
- do my best to ensure my son/daughter respects the school's policies with regard to health and safety: that no alcohol or other drugs are brought to school (prescribed medication with GP's letter to Principal only; over the counter medication with parent's letter to Year Head and Form Teacher only); that no item which may be deemed as dangerous is brought to school or any school related event; that the school's Healthy Eating Policy is supported and that my son/daughter does not bring nut products to school;
- get to know about my son/daughter's life at school.

Signature(s) _____

As a student, I shall:

- attend school regularly and on time;
- bring all the equipment I need every day;
- complete all my class work and homework as well as I can;
- wear the regulation school uniform;
- abide by the school rules and procedures;
- respect others in the school community by fostering a caring, considerate attitude, not only while I am in school but also when I use social networking sites and other electronic forms of communication;
- allow teachers to teach and other students to learn;
- respect the school environment, including books, equipment and resources;
- respects the school's policies with regard to health and safety: that no alcohol or other drugs are brought to school (prescribed medication with GP's letter to Principal only; over the counter medication with parent's letter to Form Teacher and Year Head only); that no item which may be deemed as dangerous is brought to school or any school related event;
- respect the school's Healthy Eating Policy; never bring nut products to school;
- show courtesy to school staff at all times.

Signature: _____ Date: _____