

Bishop Walsh Catholic School Sixth Form **Home-School Contract**

Ratified: June 2023

We believe that a student is most likely to fulfil their potential if their education is based on an effective partnership between the student, parent(s)/guardian(s) and the school. Success is most likely if all partners recognise their responsibilities and try to carry them out as best they can.

The student's responsibilities

I will:

- Take responsibility for my own learning, with the help of my teachers and tutor
- Attend registration, assemblies, lessons and study periods consistently and punctually, obtaining authorisation for any planned absences
- Recognise that if attendance falls below 96%, intervention shall begin and this may put my place in Sixth Form at risk
- Meet deadlines and complete work on time and to the best of my ability, and attend after school centralised detentions if work is not provided
- Work quietly and independently in study areas during study periods
- Treat all school premises with respect
- Adhere fully to the Sixth Form dress code
- Show respect for the needs of all staff, students or visitors, regardless of their ethnicity, gender, religion or other personal circumstances
- Respect Bishop Walsh School's positioning in the wider community and to set a good example to the lower school
- Abide by and accept school policies and procedures, which aim to make the school a safe and pleasant place to be for all
- Take part in Collective Worship and the Catholic Life of the School
- Understand that detentions happen on the day that they are given and that a student cannot be excused from any detention. Students are to attend a detention even if they have a 'non-contact' period 5.
- Understand that non-contact periods are a privilege and that these can be removed from the student on the day.

The responsibilities of parents/guardians

I/We will:

- Respect the Catholic ethos and vision of the school
- Support the school in seeking high standards of academic attainment, behaviour and dress by supporting the policies and ethos of the school
- Ensure that my/our son/daughter attends school punctually and attends all timetabled lessons/activities. All absences must be reported to the Attendance Officer by 9am on 0121 351 3215
- Ensure our child wears the full school uniform to school each day. We understand that we cannot sanction any deviation from the uniform policy. We understand that uniform violations will result in the pupil being sent home to collect the items or

ms to school. If this is not possible we understand our child may be given replacements.

- Support my/our son/daughter in their studies and other opportunities for learning
- Support the authority of the school in its expectations of hard work, good behaviour, respect for others and care of school equipment and premise
- Respond quickly to enquiries about my/our son/daughter's education and welfare and make every effort to attend meetings impacting his/her progress
- Make the school aware of any concerns or problems that might affect my/our son/daughter's work or behaviour
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- Understand that non-contact periods are a privilege and that these can be removed from the student on the day.

The responsibilities of the school

The school will:

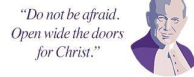
- Develop the academic, spiritual and moral character of your child
- Aim for the highest standards of work and behaviour through good teaching and pastoral care
- Care for your child's safety and well-being
- Ensure that your child has the opportunity to achieve his/her full potential as a valued member of the school community
- Report regularly on your son/daughter's progress and keep you informed of any concerns
- Respond quickly to all enquiries about your son/daughter's education and welfare
- Provide information for you to know more about the opportunities available to your son/daughter
- Encourage high standards of behaviour by building good relationships and developing a sense of responsibility
- Enforce the Bishop Walsh School Behaviour Policy consistently and fairly
- Protect students from poor behaviour by insisting on the highest standards and holding students to account for their actions
- Not allow parents to sanction any deviation from the school uniform or school behaviour policy.

Teachers will:

- Set, mark and monitor work
- Take account of the individual circumstances of your son/daughter, consult colleagues for advice and seek specialist support where necessary
- Be firm but fair in their dealings with students

This Home School Contract cannot cover all eventualities. The Headteacher reserves the right to help Bishop Walsh Sixth Form pupils make better choices and learn the right lessons.

**PLEASE SIGN THE DECLARATION AND RETURN TO YOUR FORM TUTOR ON
FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2023.**



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Student: I have read the Home School Contract. I understand that failure to fulfil my responsibilities could result in me being asked to leave the Sixth Form.

Name Signed

Date

Parents / Guardians: We have also read and accept the Home School Contract.

Name Signed

Date