



# Marshland High School - Home School Agreement - Success Through Learning

## Commitment by Marshland High School

*We believe every student is capable of academic and personal success and that it is through hard work on the part of your child, with our support, that their potential will be realised.*

### Learning – Marshland staff will:

- Always come to lessons prepared and ready to engage students in challenging work that paves the way for success in school and life.
- Provide rewards for students’ endeavours.
- Set appropriate homework regularly (knowledge retrieval practice)
- Take students on relevant and exciting trips relevant to their learning.
- Constantly strive to become better educators.

### Pastoral care will:

- Ensure that each student’s Form Tutor will follow their tutees’ progress and ensure that all individual needs are met.
- Go out of our way to get to know each of our students as individuals.
- Care about our students’ wellbeing, and protect their safety at all times.

### Parent-school communication

- We believe that through regular communication, we will build a relationship of trust between school and home.
- Parent evenings will be held once a year and attainment reports issued twice a year.
- We will encourage contact with teaching staff by phone and email and endeavour to reply to parents as soon as possible, usually within 2 working days.
- We will collect and check homework, and if not complete, will log as a homework concern. Heads of Departments will monitor homework concerns and if needed make a referral to afterschool homework club (a compulsory 1 hour afterschool intervention). Students will also be placed on a 2 week homework report.
- We promise to welcome parents into the school community.

### Discipline

- We will reinforce Marshland High School values consistently and fairly.
- We will protect pupils from poor behaviour by insisting on high standards and holding pupils to account for their actions.

**We understand that this commitment will require us to go above and beyond the average expectations of a school. We sign this agreement voluntarily because we believe that Marshland High School is a partnership between parents and staff to create the best possible education for our students.**

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

## Commitment to Marshland High School by parents / guardians

*I believe my child is capable of academic and personal success and that it is through hard work on the part of my child, with my support, that their potential will be realised. I will:*

### Learning

- Encourage and support my child to go on school field and residential trips.
- Understand that my child will have homework to complete, including at weekends, which will increase as they progress through the school. It is my responsibility to see that homework is completed.
- Make sure I access *Show My Homework* to support my child.
- Understand if homework is not completed my child will have to attend compulsory after-school homework club intervention for one hour and I need to organise transport to collect them.

### Healthy living

- Understand Marshland encourages a healthy lifestyle, and I support the choices made by the school.
- Give my child healthy food and drinks to take to school.
- Encourage my child to take part in sports and physical activities.

### Attendance

- Ensure my child arrives to school before the school gate closes at 8:40am.
- Not plan for family holidays or other extended absences during term time.
- Ensure that my child attends school every day, except when genuinely ill or other legitimate reason agreed by the school in advance.
- Telephone the school, if my child is absent, before 8:15 a.m. to report the reasons why and follow up with a letter / medical evidence on the first day of their return.
- Understand measures taken by school to support positive attendance are compulsory and non-negotiable.

### Uniform and Equipment

- Make sure my child wears the full correct school uniform neatly to school each day and has their full and correct equipment each day.
- Understand that uniform and equipment violations may result in my child being given a detention, kept out of lessons, collected from school to correct uniform, or us bringing the correct items to school.
- Understand that school takes no responsibility for the damage, loss or theft of personal items, electronic devices or other high value items.

### Parent-school communication

- Always make myself available to the school and provide up-to-date contact details.
- Communicate with the school in a timely, respectful and polite manner in line with the School’s values.
- Read all reports carefully, attend all parent evenings and check SIMs Parent App for behaviour and reward updates.

### Behaviour expectations – I understand:

- Marshland High School’s values and behaviour standards. I accept and support consequences for failing to meet standards and expectations.
- After School detentions take place on the day after they were given, lasting between 30 - 90mins. Attendance is compulsory at these detentions and it is my responsibility to arrange transport.
- That my child cannot be excused from detentions or any other after school intervention.

**I sign this commitment voluntarily because I believe a partnership between parents and school exists to create the best possible education for my child. I fully support the policies and procedures adopted by the school.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name and relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

## Commitment by students of Marshland High School

### I will go above and beyond to learn by:

- Arriving at school before the school gate closes at 8:40am.
- Always working, thinking, and behaving in the best way I know how, and I showing resilience and **perseverance** to support mine and others learning.
- Asking for help if I do not understand something.
- Completing all my homework to the best of my ability and on time.
- Attending any detentions I may be given.
- Discussing any problems I am having at school with my parents and teachers.
- Being **honest** with myself and with others.
- Arriving punctually to all lessons.

### I will go above and beyond to build a safe and respectful community by:

- Living the School’s Core Values Everyday:
  - Respect
  - Responsibility
  - Kindness
  - Honesty
  - Perseverance
- Wearing the correct uniform smartly every day.
- Keeping any electronic devices out of sight and switched off, understanding that they will be confiscated if they are seen or heard anywhere on school premises and that the school takes no responsibility whatsoever for their safekeeping.
- Agreeing to abide by the **School Behaviour Policy** and understanding there will be consequences if I fail to do so.
- Conducting myself in line with the school values whilst in and out of school as I accept that as a pupil at the school I am an ambassador at all times.
- Always treating everyone within our school community with **respect**.
- Always treating our school environment with **respect**.
- Listening to and showing **kindness** towards others.
- Being **responsible** for my own behaviour and learning.

**I believe I am capable of academic and personal success. I am ready to go above and beyond to realise my potential.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pupil name: \_\_\_\_\_