

## **Home School Agreement**



### **Shapla School aims**

- To have high expectations of all children so that they leave our school with the intellectual, social and emotional skills to cope with their future lives.
- To provide continuity of approach throughout the school.
- To provide access for each child to all areas of the curriculum, identifying the needs of individual children and ensuring provision is appropriate for them.
- To help children develop fully as independent learners with a positive self-image.
- To foster a love of learning for its own sake.
- To create a secure, stimulating environment which promotes children's learning and sense of responsibility.
- To enable children to respect each other and the environment.
- To involve children in first-hand learning experiences whenever possible.
- To help children celebrate success and to view mistakes as a positive learning process.
- To give children the opportunity to share decisions about their own learning and environment.
- To work closely with parents in supporting their children's learning.
- To ensure children and parents realise the importance of regular attendance and the value of punctuality at school.

### **Shapla School values**

Happiness  
Collaboration  
Creativity  
Respect  
Reflection  
Independence  
Motivation  
Challenge  
International Mindedness

### **Responsibility of the school:**

- Provide rich learning opportunities, a broad and balanced curriculum, high expectations and challenge
- Provide a safe and supportive learning environment
- Meet the learning needs of all children
- Monitor progress and attainment to ensure high standards
- Encourage children to respect others
- Encourage children to do their best at all times and take responsibility for their own organisation
- Encourage children to take care of others around them and their surroundings
- Inform parents of their child's progress and any concerns about their child
- Keep parents informed, every half term, of what children will be learning and events or parent workshops

### **Responsibility of parents / carers:**

- Make sure my child arrives at school by 8.55am and collect them at 3.15pm
- Make sure my child attends school every day and let the school office know if they are too unwell to be in school
- Attend parent conferences to find out about my child's progress
- Find out about my child's life at school by attending assemblies, special events, parent workshops, family learning etc whenever possible
- Ensure my child participates fully in all National Curriculum subjects
- Support the school's values and behavior policy
- Talk to my child about their learning every day
- Help my child to learn at home eg reading, topic research, visits, practicing spellings etc
- Take family holidays abroad during the school holidays so that my child does not miss school

### **Responsibility of children:**

- Attend school on time every day
- Try my best to learn as well as I can
- Follow the Shapla values
- Join in all activities
- Treat everybody with respect
- Be polite, kind and helpful
- Look after things
- Be well organised and ready to learn
- Remember to bring book bags and PE kit to school

### **Attendance and punctuality:**

At Shapla we understand that good attendance and punctuality are extremely important for children's learning. Research shows that children who miss more than 8 days of school can significantly fall behind with their learning. When children are not in school they miss work and it is often difficult for them to catch up. Some children also miss specially planned group work or 1 to 1 lessons to help them catch up their learning. Some children find it difficult to make and keep friends when they have a lot of time off school. Therefore all children should attend school every day **unless they have a temperature over 101 °F / 38 °C**, a doctor has asked for them to stay off school or if they are vomiting with diarrhea. Please check with the school office if you are unsure. Children must be in class at 9am ready for registration. When children are late it disrupts the class

and is unsettling for your child, as well as the other children. Children should be collected **on time** at 3.15pm promptly, or 4.15pm if they are attending an after school club. Our school attendance target is 95%, which is no more than 8 days of absence within the year for every child. Attendance is strictly monitored by a Tower Hamlets Attendance Welfare Advisor. We cannot authorise extended leave for holidays abroad during term time, in line with Tower Hamlets guidance. If children have medical appointments please try to make them outside of school hours. Parents should collect children **no more than 45 minutes** before a medical appointment so they do not miss learning time.

**Behaviour:**

Behaviour at Shapla is excellent. Staff have very good relationships with children and have high expectations of behaviour, good manners, respect and thought for all others. We follow the 'Shapla Values'. Children understand the rules and staff reinforce them consistently. If behaviour is unacceptable for any reason, class teachers or the Head teacher / Deputy will contact parents to discuss how this can be improved. We do not tolerate bullying or racism at Shapla. Parents can support us by listening to children and discussing behaviour with them. Any concerns should be raised with the class teacher initially, not with another child or parent, so that issues can be quickly resolved.

**Homework:**

See Home Learning policy

**Information Sharing:**

**School**

We will give parents regular information about:

- What children will be learning each half term (class newsletters)
- How well children are learning (parent conferences and end of year reports)
- Behaviour and attitudes to learning
- Attendance and punctuality
- What is happening in the school (letters from the Headteacher, newsletters)
- How parents can get involved in school and in child's learning
- Any concerns we have about your child
- Trips, visits and projects that your child will participate in

**Parents**

We would like parents to let us know:

- If you have new contact details or a new address (this is really important)
- If you have any concerns about your child, either at home or school
- If there are any significant family changes that might affect your child's wellbeing
- The reason why your child has not attended school
- If there are any medical concerns or if your child needs to take medication
- If your child has any allergies diagnosed by a doctor

Teacher: Signed	Parent: Signed
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