

St. Thomas More Catholic Academy

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(PRINT NAME)

(FORM)

It is the responsibility of the school to:

- Provide a Catholic environment in which students will develop spiritual and moral values in line with Catholic Social Teachings, and the Catholic ethos of our school;
- Provide the best possible teaching and learning opportunities;
- Ensure the safety of every child is given priority and that a caring, safe and supportive environment is provided that promotes inclusion, community cohesion, learning and well-being;
- Guide students towards becoming inquisitive and independent, taking ownership of their own learning;
- Reward students for their success;
- Contact parents/carers if there is a problem with attendance, punctuality, uniform or equipment;
- Let parents/carers know about any concerns or problems that affect their child's work or behaviour;
- Report to parents/carers on your child's progress;
- Set, mark and monitor home learning and provide facilities for children to do independent study in school;
- Arrange parents/carers' evenings during which progress will be discussed;
- Keep parents/carers informed about school activities through regular letters home, newsletters and notices about special events;
- Ensure that the school behaviour and bullying policies are consistently applied;
- Monitor pupils' behaviour, taking fair and consistent action if necessary and informing parents/carers of any concerns;
- Help students leave school well prepared and ready to make the most of future career/educational opportunities, as a citizen within Modern Britain;
- Listen to parents/carers and work in partnership with them.

It is my responsibility as a parent to:

- Support the spiritual and moral development of my child, and the Catholic ethos of St Thomas More Catholic Academy
- See that my child maintains good attendance (97% and above) and arrives before 8:45am each day
- Ensure that my child is wearing the correct uniform, as outlined in the school's uniform policy;
- See that my child is properly equipped for school;
- Let the school know about any concerns or problems that might affect my child's work or behaviour;
- Support the school's aims, ethos, policies and guidelines for behaviour and bullying and encourage my child to follow them;
- Support and reinforce sanctions given by the school in response to any breaches of the Behaviour for Learning policy;

- Attend parents/carers' evening and discussions about my child's progress;
- Inform the school when my child is absent from school on the first day of their absence;
- Work in partnership with the school and outside agencies to support my child's progress and well-being;
- Take an interest in my child's school work, looking at their exercise books regularly;
- Encourage my child to participate in the extra-curricular opportunities offered by the school;
- Acknowledge that, as a school, we do not advise that students bring mobile phones to school and we accept no liability for loss, damage or theft of mobile phones;
- Acknowledge that any communication with your child during the school day should be made through the school reception;
- Communicate with all staff at St Thomas More Catholic Academy in a respectful manner;
- Acknowledge that the use of social media by your child is not the responsibility of the school, and support the school in ensuring that your child is a responsible in their use of all social media and technology
- Communicate any concerns about my child and their education or well-being at school through the appropriate pastoral channels and not on social media or online forums.

Signed: _____

It is my responsibility as a student to:

- Support the Catholic values and ethos of my school;
- Attend regularly and punctually, and with a positive attitude, to school and to all lessons;
- Come to school prepared to work, with the correct equipment and the correct uniform at all times, including at the beginning and the end of the school day;
- Respect other members of the school community, demonstrating respect and tolerance as part of an inclusive community, particularly for those with a protected characteristic;
- Accept that bullying, intolerance and discrimination, particularly of those with a protected characteristic, are unacceptable in our school;
- Ensure we do not disrupt the learning of others;
- Follow staff instructions immediately, without questioning;
- Ensure that my mobile phone is switched off during the school day, from 8:50 – 3:20pm, and kept out of sight;
- Conduct myself appropriately in lessons, between lessons, during break, lunch and on their way to and from school;
- Ensure proper and safe use of the school ICT systems as outlined in the acceptable usage policy for ICT;
- Use social media appropriately, ensuring that our digital footprint does not negatively reflect on our own, or the school's reputation;
- Be positive ambassadors for the school at all times;
- Respect the environment of the school and other people's property;
- Complete all work to the highest possible standard and to the agreed deadline;
- Take responsibility for my own learning.

Signed: _____

“Christ is at the heart of our community, where everyone is known and loved.”