

Our Lady and St Kenelm RC School
Home and School Agreement



***"Bringing out the best in everyone, for the benefit of all,
in the Spirit of Christ"***

Our Lady and St Kenelm School is founded by and is part of the Catholic Church. The school is to be conducted as a Catholic school in accordance with canon law and teachings of the Roman Catholic church, and in accordance with the Trust Deed of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and in particular –

- (a) religious education is to be in accordance with the teachings, doctrines, discipline and general and particular norms of the Catholic Church;
- (b) religious worship is to be in accordance with the rites, practices, discipline and liturgical norms of the Catholic Church;

and at all times the school is to serve as a witness to the Catholic faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The school aims to:

Provide a disciplined atmosphere, fostering care, respect and manners.
Generate an active faith based on Catholic doctrine.
Deliver a broad curriculum, meeting the requirements of R.E. and the National Curriculum.
Forge links between home, school, parish, Governors and the wider community.
Develop the full potential of each child in all dimensions.
Provide good, open communications for all, through opportunities for involvement
Foster active involvement in the Catholic Church through liturgy, worship and the sacraments.

To achieve these aims, the school will:

Welcome new children, parents, members of staff and visitors.
Make the Mission Statement known to all children, parents, staff, governors and parishioners.
Invite members of the parish and parents to take an active part in school.
Foster open and positive relationships between parents and staff.
Use situations as they arise to encourage pupils to see the perspective of others and understand how their actions affect others.
Create an environment where children are not afraid to express themselves appropriately and with respect.
Make information about the school available at church.
Maintain visits to church, Masses in school and celebrations of Christian festivals.
Develop an awareness of the Sacraments.
Prepare children for the Sacraments.

School agrees to:

- ◆ Provide religious education in accordance with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.
- ◆ Prepare children for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation.
- ◆ Teach all subjects of the National Curriculum to the highest possible standards ensuring that all children receive a broad, balanced and ambitious curriculum.
- ◆ Provide an environment where children feel happy and secure and enjoy rewards for Good work, honesty and helpfulness.
- ◆ Promote good attendance and punctuality.

- ◆ Provide a disciplined atmosphere, fostering care, respect, manners and Gospel Virtues.
- ◆ Treat every adult and child with respect and dignity at all times including when speaking with them.
- ◆ Reprimand children when rules are broken, property is damaged or feelings hurt.
- ◆ Regularly provide homework appropriate to the level and ability of children.
- ◆ Provide regular, informative newsletters and ensure that all class webpages are regularly updated to inform parents of teaching and learning as well as other opportunities.
- ◆ Maintain open communications with parents and children via parent consultations, informal conversations, newsletters, text alerts, twitter, class and school webpages.
- ◆ Give opportunity for formal parent/teacher meetings in Autumn and Spring Term – face to face and virtually.
- ◆ Provide a written report in the Summer term.
- ◆ Provide opportunities to share information about the curriculum and developments in Education through parent workshops, parent meetings, class assemblies, curriculum days etc.
- ◆ Collect emergency contact information from parents.

Signed:

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Date: 5th December 2025

Reviewed and ratified by Governors at Full Governors Meeting on 4th December 2025

To be reviewed again at Full Governors: December 2027

Parents/Guardians agree to:

- ◆ Support and nurture the religious and spiritual development of my child.
- ◆ Support the school to carry out its Mission and Vision.
- ◆ Support my child in the preparation for the Sacraments by attending meetings and Masses.
- ◆ Attend Mass regularly in the church at the weekend.
- ◆ Support the school in its efforts to provide quality learning experiences.
- ◆ Ensure that my child goes to bed at a suitable time and has enough sleep to enable children to access the teaching and learning effectively during the day.
- ◆ Support the school in its attempts to create a disciplined atmosphere through care and respect for others.
- ◆ Educating your child about diversity, equity and inclusion

Serious Incidents and Suspension

- ◆ Where an incident is determined by the Headteacher to be of a serious nature — including, but not limited to, the use of racist or discriminatory language, verbal abuse, physical harm to others, or damage to school property — the school reserves the right to impose a suspension.
- ◆ All serious incidents will be investigated thoroughly, ensuring that all parties involved have the opportunity to provide their account of events. **Parents agree to address any discriminatory behaviour promptly and support the school to address this.**
- ◆ For a more comprehensive list of circumstances that may warrant a suspension or permanent exclusion please see the behaviour policy on our website (**Key Information – Policies – Behaviour Policy**)
- ◆ Ensure my child attends school punctually at all required times, except in times of illness and will inform the school as soon as possible (before 8:30am) if my child is ill.
- ◆ Support the school in its efforts to promote and maintain high standards through hard work, honesty, care for others and adhere to appearance and uniform, as stated in the Behaviour Policy
- ◆ Support the school in the decisions that they make concerning my child and my child's welfare.
- ◆ Use any social media communications and messaging service such as WhatsApp, responsibly and respectfully without defaming the school's character or reputation by naming staff or other parent's children.
- ◆ Will discourage their child from engaging in unsuitable material including gaming online and unchristian messaging via texts/WhatsApp to others.
- ◆ Provide time, space and opportunity for homework to be completed properly and with care.
- ◆ Read the newsletters class and school webpages and when needed, take action where required.
- ◆ Speak to the class teacher if there appears to be difficulties at home or school affecting my child's happiness or learning.
- ◆ Attend consultation evenings to be advised about my child's progress and behaviour.
- ◆ Read, sign and return the Summer report with appropriate comments. Discuss it with my child.
- ◆ Do my best to understand my child's learning by attending the curriculum information meetings arranged by the school at the start of the year and any workshops/meetings provided that will support my child's learning.
- ◆ Keep the school informed of any change of contact details.
- ◆ I will put my faith and trust in the school to make the best decisions for my child.
- ◆ Treat every adult and child with respect and dignity at all times including when speaking with all staff including those in the school office.

Signed

Date:

Pupils agree to:

- ◆ Learn about God and the Church and live as Jesus showed me, following the Gospel virtues and the schools Mission Statement.
- ◆ Prepare to meet Jesus in the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation.
- ◆ Learn the things I am taught by paying attention and working as hard as I can at all times, in every lesson.
- ◆ Show care and respect for everyone in my school, no matter their race, background or culture by following school rules and Gospel Virtues.
- ◆ Respect all school property and buildings ensuring that they are kept tidy and well-maintained.
- ◆ Come to school every day and on time.
- ◆ Play safely and sensibly, be honest and helpful at all times.
- ◆ Obey the rules and respect the property and feelings of others.
- ◆ Use any social media communications and messaging such as WhatsApp, about the school, responsibly and respectfully without defaming its character or reputation.
- ◆ Use any social media communications with other children responsibly and respectfully without causing upset to others both in school and out.
- ◆ Will not engage in any unsuitable material including gaming online or send unchristian messages to others via text or WhatsApp.
- ◆ Will not search or type unacceptable words into the school computers as this will be identified through SmoothWall and will be sent straight to the Headteacher.
- ◆ Treat every adult and child with respect and dignity at all times including when speaking with them.
- ◆ Do my homework as well as I can and bring it to school on time.
- ◆ Give letters and messages to my parents when required ensuring that the accurate information is passed on.
- ◆ Give letters and messages to my teachers when required.
- ◆ Talk about any difficulties I may have in school or at home with a trusted member of staff.

Signed..... Date