**Home School Agreement 2023 - 2024**

We believe that a great education is delivered when everyone is united in a common goal to provide the best educational experience for the students and community. Cottenham Village College is in a truly privileged position, having been established by Henry Morris, as a Village College to support the development of our students, and the development of the whole community, helping to shape the future of generations to come. This a partnership between The College, students, and families, holding the highest aspirations and working together to ensure every child and young person excels. We believe that this partnership is essential in achieving this aim.

Vision:

* We believe that all students, regardless of their starting point, should be guided and supported to develop the academic, social and moral understanding and behaviours to be successful and happy in their future.
* As a community of students, staff and parents/ carers we are respectful, polite and courteous to each other in all that we do.

Values:

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| Scholarship | Tenacity | Curiosity | Respect | Responsibility |

**Students and parents/carers can expect Cottenham Village College to:**

* ﻿provide a supportive, inclusive, and safe learning environment so that students can fulfil their potential;
* ﻿﻿teach a carefully sequenced knowledge-rich curriculum which is aspirational and accessible to all students, optimising progress;
* ﻿﻿promote a positive approach to learning and celebrate all forms of achievement;
* ﻿﻿review class work and homework and give regular feedback in class and through reports and Progress Evenings;
* ﻿﻿provide opportunities for parents/ carers to meet teachers, when progress will be discussed;
* ﻿﻿encourage high standards of behaviour, a sense of personal responsibility and resilience;
* ﻿﻿promote and support emotional, physical, and mental wellbeing
* let parents/carers know about any concerns or problems that may affect student learning, behaviour or well-being and offer support when required;
* ﻿﻿keep parents/ carers informed about activities through letters, newsletters, the website, and the 'My Child at School App';
* ﻿﻿provide a range of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities.

**At Cottenham Village College we expect students to:**

* always model the Academy's values and ethos;
* treat all staff and fellow students with kindness and respect;
* complete classwork and homework on time and to the best of their ability;
* be a good representative of Cottenham in and out of uniform, including with any online activity;
* uphold the highest standards of behaviour and abide by the student rules;
* strive to achieve 97%+ attendance and arrive on time to all registrations and lessons every day;
* bring all the equipment, books and kit needed each day;
* wear uniform correctly, looking smart and presentable at all times;
* switch mobiles phones and electronic devices off during the academy day. Any phones seen or heard or used during the academy day will be confiscated;
* follow all instructions first time and every time;
* take responsibility for their actions, intentions and words;
* complete any sanctions required and respond in a polite and courteous way;
* keep the school and the surrounding environment free from litter and graffiti;
* contribute to a safe community by refraining from bringing prohibited items into school, and always reporting instances of bullying or hate;
* embrace extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities, contributing positively to their House, the College, and the wider community.

**Cottenham Village College expects parents/carers to:**

* support your child's education, believing that your involvement is vital for their success;
* work in partnership with staff;
* give your full support to the work we do at Cottenham, including supporting all policies and procedures;
* support our behaviour policy and procedures and ensure your child always attends and completes sanctions required by the school;
* support our ethos of mutual respect in all communications;
* attend meetings about your child's education, progress, and attendance;
* support the teaching and learning of students by ensuring that your child completes their homework under suitable conditions;
* support your child to attend every day, working with the school to ensure your child has excellent attendance and punctuality;
* ensure that your child has all necessary equipment and has appropriate uniform;
* inform Cottenham Village College of any changes in domestic circumstances, or any other areas where you think the school and families can work together successfully to enhance your child’s provision.

By signing this agreement, you are acknowledging that you have read the above information and that you agree to support this partnership with your child and the staff at Cottenham Village College.

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