

HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS 2025-26



INTRODUCTION

As a parent/carer, I know I am the most important person in helping my child learn. I will work together with Ricards Lodge High School to support my child and help them follow the school's values;

We Aspire
We are Resilient
We are Compassionate
We champion Equality
We work Together

AS A PARENT/CARER OF A RICARDS LODGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING;

WE ASPIRE SO I WILL...

Commit to actively supporting my child's learning, including homework, monitored via weekly Google Guardian summaries

Ensure my child has all necessary learning equipment, including a charged Chromebook and reading book

Give consent for my child to use additional Google services that the school approves for curriculum delivery, e.g. Google Earth

Commit to my child's strong attendance and punctuality record, and stay informed via the school app and Headteacher's newsletter

Encourage my child to work hard and know when is appropriate to use technology to support learning

WE ARE RESILIENT SO I WILL...

Inform the school promptly for any reason for absence via the school app 'Reach More Parents'

Acknowledge that the school holds no responsibility for the loss or damage of valuables (such as mobile phones, cash and other personal items)

Encourage my child to problem-solve using school support (tutors, mentors, confidential email contact listen@ricardslodge.org) or peer support on Google classroom

Encourage my child to join extra curricular clubs, get fully involved in the life of the school, become more independent

WE ARE COMPASSIONATE SO I WILL...

Inform the school via info@ricardslodge.org of any concerns affecting my child's well-being, work, or behaviour. If no reply in three days, please contact us again

Arrange any meetings via email or telephone to ensure the best possible outcomes

Acknowledge the demands on staff and school time when raising concerns or queries

Acknowledge my role in maintaining positive relationships with all members of the school community, including parents and staff

Not name students, families or staff when using social media and be kind

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AS A PARENT/CARER OF A RICARDS LODGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING;

WE CHAMPION EQUALITY SO I WILL...

Help my child to understand and follow the Anti-Bullying and Discrimination Policy, as well as GDPR UK and the Data Protection Act 2018

Support the school in championing equality and uphold the protected characteristics of staff, students and families as defined by the Equality Act 2010. Those protected characteristics are names in law as:

- Age
- Gender reassignment
- Being married or in a civil partnership
- Being pregnant or on maternity leave
- Disability
- Race including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin
- Religion or belief
- Sex
- Sexual orientation

I will ensure that holidays are taken outside of term time

WE WORK TOGETHER SO I WILL...

Ensure my child travels to and from school in the correct uniform

Ensure that my child understands and follows the Behaviour for Learning Policy and support the school in applying it

Support the school and my child in matters regarding the Acceptable Use Policy for IT

Complete a leave of absence form for any unavoidable planned absences in term time

Ensure the school is informed of any changes in family circumstances or contact details via info@ricardslodge.org

Commit to not dropping my child directly outside of the school and will abide by the Merton Borough traffic management expectations

Acknowledge the school's mobile phone policy, I will send any crucial messages for my child directly to the school office

Work collaboratively with the school to address any concerns relating to my child

I will read and support all elements of the school privacy notice