

Keevil CoFE Academy Home-School Agreement

The School will be:

A place where children feel safe.

Children know they are valued and accepted for who they are, and have the space to say what they think and feel. They know they can turn to someone if they have a problem. They know they will be treated with respect, kindness, patience and politeness by all, as they know that these are the values they are taught through the story of the Good Samaritan.

A place where children feel happy.

Children enjoy school and want to come in every day. They have fun, within our expectations and boundaries. Their achievements and efforts are all celebrated. They feel proud of themselves and their work, and know that everyone around them joins them in this.

A place where children learn.

Children are engaged and motivated. They want to learn. They are curious and ask questions about anything and everything. They are focused and diligent in all they do. They are active learners, who think for themselves trying to solve their own problems. They can explain and express themselves, talk is valued across the curriculum. They feel appropriately challenged, and are stretched to do this. They will take risks, and understand that mistakes are important as you learn through them. They make links and apply their knowledge, understanding the purpose and outcomes of what they are doing. They rise to the high expectations that are set for them.

A place where children grow.

Children have self-belief and self-confidence, and are empowered to give things a go. They show appropriate levels of independence, and have strategies to solve problems for themselves that do not rely on adults. They show perseverance and resilience, even in the face of difficulties. They are given opportunities within and outside the classroom to feel success. They are respectful of school and the education it provides, and show this through being smart, punctual and with the correct equipment.

A place where children treat others as they would like to be treated.

Children think about others, treating them in a helpful and thoughtful way. They have good manners and are polite to all others. They show respect to everyone and everything. They will teach and share with others.

Parents and Family will:

Support all our Keevil Aspirations, stated opposite.

Instil in their children a desire and passion to learn and be their best.

Ensure school and learning are seen as positive and part of a journey that leads to success and fulfilment.

Follow school policies and procedures.

Ensure children are on time and ready to learn through rest and a healthy lifestyle.

Ensure children's attendance is always aspiring to 100% through a recognition of the importance of education.

Ensure children always wear the correct uniform and have the appropriate equipment with them as needed.

Parents to be aware of and support the school's ethos and values (see our Mission Statement on the reverse).

Help support maintaining the school's reputation in the wider community, including communication on-line.

Respect the school's policy of not allowing members of staff to communicate with parents and pupils through social media.

Support the school and their child by communicating openly with us.

Signed:

Date:

Children will:

Always treat others as they would like to be treated

Listen to adults

Know their best, and do it.

Keep themselves and others safe.

Be smart and tidy.

Live the values of the school.

Be at school on time, in the right uniform, with the right things.

Do their homework as instructed by their teacher.

Feel they can approach members of staff to talk to them about anything that is worrying them.

Follow school rules and routines.



Keevil Church of England Academy

Mission Statement

In the story of the Good Samaritan we come to understand how someone reached out and gave all he could to someone on whom he could have turned his back. As a pupil and member of staff at Keevil we are defined by this message, above all.

We are also defined by values of tolerance, courtesy, fairness, and respect for one other. These lead to motivation for service and commitment to society, both within and beyond our school. For this reason we have taken Jesus' summary as our principle of life in Keevil school:

"Always treat others as you would like them to treat you"

(Matthew 7:12)

We presume children to achieve their very best. Children will leave this school as the very best Readers, Mathematicians, and Writers that they can be, combined with an understanding of health and fitness in mind and body. This can only happen if a love of learning for learning's sake is fostered. This happens through great teachers and other school staff who are motivated, challenged and valued.

It is a failure if we are *only* producing children who are able academically. Parents who are the centre of a child's life, must be supported by the school in helping their child be confident, by providing something, be it a club or a subject, that enables their child to understand and feel success. We will enable children to reflect on their actions, good and bad and understand consequence and the importance of doing good. By going through this process children will also develop self awareness and an understanding of how they can always improve, and reach beyond perceived barriers. To achieve this level of self awareness children will develop skills that enable them to excel at behaving and communicating, by both listening and speaking, always, in a spirit of respect for others and themselves. It is vital, always that children are able to turn perceived weakness in to actual strength. All of this will lead to an inner confidence which, more than anything else will enable a child, in their future, to overcome and to flourish.

A child's future, after the pivotal role of the parent, is defined by the primary years of education. We are absolutely clear, at Keevil, how this should be done.