***“A Can Do School”***

**parental engagement agreement**

# **2023-2024**

**At Stepping Stones School we are committed to ensuring your child receives a high quality education. We promote the core values of:**

**Respect**

**Kindness**

**Tolerance**

**Trust**

**We also have three key rules for the children to follow:**

**Be Respectful—with words and actions**

**Be Safe— hurting and damage is never ok**

**Complete your learning to a high standard– always try your best**

**We also have set up a range of tools / mechanisms for parents to engage with school.**

**Class Dojo (APP for phone)**

**Telephone**

**Email**

**This is important to ensure your child’s team of –parent/carer, child, school—can work well together at all times.**

**Parents/Carers MUST pick up the phone whenever school are required to ring home/return a call ASAP.**

*I/We understand that in order for this to be successful 100% support and engagement needs to be given to the school and the staff. This means the following:*

**We expect our parents / carers to…**

* Promote the school values and rules. Implement the value of respect, kindness and trust within your home.
* Respect the teacher decisions.
* Ensure you read newsletters, letters and sign the consent forms.
* Let us know if your child is absent.
* Make sure they are in school and have a high level of attendance. (minor ailments are not excuses for absence)
* Make sure your child is in the correct uniform and that they have a PE kit to change into. Including correct footwear.
* We do not allow items from home to be brought into school e.g. toys, cuddly toys, pencil cases etc. Any sensory/ transitional items a parent feels are required from home needs to be discussed with the Headteacher/ Deputy Headteacher.
* Watches can be worn as long as they are not a distraction to the child’s learning; no jewellery to be worn in school.
* Make sure your child has a healthy lunch. (If they are on packed lunches, no fizzy drinks, chocolate, sweets or fast food)
* Answer the phone when we ring or call back.
* Reiterate the message that hurting, spitting, swearing, assaulting, damaging is not acceptable.
* Sign up to Class Dojo to engage with school and to ensure you receive messages about trips, clothing etc.
* Ensure contact details are all up to date.
* Support the school by talking positively about what we do.
* Pay for the damage that your child causes.
* **If asked** to put in consequences at home, support the school and do this.
* Keep your child off social media, inappropriate games etc.
* Use your social media appropriately and not bring the school into disrepute.
* Talk to us privately about disagreements so it does not undermine the work of the staff.

I understand that a placement at Stepping Stones is to support my child’s social, emotional, mental health and academic progress and in order for this to be successful I/ we need to work in partnership with the school. We will do the above.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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