

Viking Academy Trust

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Home-School Agreement – COVID19: Home Learning

Schools are most successful where a genuine partnership exists between children, teachers and partners. Our Viking Academy Trust vision is-

Empower children through education: ‘One Childhood One Chance’

Viking schools will:

- Provide a continuous connection with your child, via our websites, Microsoft Teams & online learning platforms, to offer them routine, care and support.
- Continue to nurture your child through regular contact to ensure that they are happy, safe and well during these unsettling times.
- Endeavour to support you with any technical difficulties that you may be experiencing.
- Respond to any concerns you may have in a timely manner, within school hours.

I, as a parent/carer will:

- Encourage my child to engage with their Home Learning daily in order to scaffold their routine, care and support.
- Encourage my child to maintain the two-way communication (verbal or other) with school staff
- When online, keep my microphone muted and encourage my child to do the same during a ‘live’ class.
- Support the whole class live experience by responding to teachers only when I have been asked a question.
- Use the ‘chat function’ to ask the teacher a question if my query is urgent, and allow the teacher time to respond.
 - Monitor my child’s use of the ‘chat function’ to ensure chat is constructive, kind and appropriate and understand that if my child creates private chats that teachers will not be able to monitor these.
- Encourage my child to use the ‘chat’ function for academic questions only, in order to enhance the support the teacher can offer them.
- Ensure that any document uploaded by the teacher does not get moved to another location or edited.
- Ensure that any queries I have regarding my child’s academic tasks are directed to the teacher within school hours.
- Ensure that any queries I may have regarding online learning (eg Microsoft Teams, the school website and other web-based learning platforms) are directed to the email address ict@vikingacademytrust.com or shared via the class teacher or school office.
- Offer understanding and support to teachers who, as key workers, are continuing to provide care and routine for my child in these difficult circumstances.
- Not utilise parent WhatsApp groups (or other forms of social media) to provide a negative commentary of the school. Instead we ask for open communication directly with the school leadership team.

I, as a pupil of Viking Academy Trust will:

- Follow the school positive behaviour policy and uphold school values whilst participating in Home Learning online, including my conversations in school-based ‘chat’ sites
- Keep my microphone muted during a live class unless asked otherwise.

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- Use the 'chat' function to ask my teacher a question that is related to my work
- Ensure written communication posted online reflects the behaviours expected of me
- Engage with my teacher's communication (verbal and other) so that they know I am happy, safe and well during COVID-19.
- Use the school support networks shared with me to ask for help if I need it and to share worries I may be experiencing at this time

Possible sanction for failure to comply with this agreement:

- Removal of access to online learning platforms (eg Microsoft TEAMS, Spelling Shed, Bug Club, TTRS etc) for your child/children

A signature is not required for this document, the terms herein are confirmed by all parties upon receipt.

The VAT Home School Agreement is specifically for Home Learning during the Covid-19 pandemic.
It forms part of the Viking Academy Trust Parent & Carer Code of Conduct.

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