



Developing Parental Engagement

Silverhill Primary School



Creating Connection

Parental involvement is a key factor in enhancing student performance. When parents take an active role in their children's education, pupils are more likely to achieve better grades, have higher attendance, and display improved behaviour. By working together, we can create an environment that supports and motivates our pupils to reach their full potential.

Improving Communication

Effective communication between parents and teachers is vital for student success. It ensures that everyone is on the same page regarding a child's progress and any challenges they may face. At Silverhill Primary School, we are committed to fostering open and transparent communication. We encourage parents to reach out to teachers with any questions or concerns and participate in parent-teacher meetings to stay informed about their child's education.

Fostering a Supportive Community

Parental engagement also plays a crucial role in building a supportive school community. When parents, teachers, and pupils work together, it creates a positive atmosphere where everyone feels valued and respected. This collaboration leads to a nurturing environment that benefits all members of our school community.





To encourage parental engagement, Silverhill Primary School offers several programs and initiatives, including:

Parent Workshops: These sessions provide parents with valuable insights into their child's learning process and offer strategies to support their academic journey.

Volunteer Opportunities: Parents can contribute to the school by volunteering in various activities, such as classroom assistance, school events, and extracurricular programs.

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Parent-Teacher Friends Association (PTFA): Join our PTFA to actively participate in school decision-making and collaborate on projects that benefit our pupils.

We invite you to become more involved in your child's education and take advantage of the programs we offer. If you are interested in participating or have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Together, we can make a positive impact on our children's education and create a thriving school community.





Communication

At Silverhill Primary School, we believe that clear and effective communication between school and home is essential for fostering student success and building a strong partnership with you.

The Importance of Communication:

Understanding Pupil Progress: Regular updates about your child's academic performance help us work together to support their learning journey.

Addressing Concerns Promptly: Open communication ensures any concerns you may have are addressed swiftly, creating a supportive environment for your child.

Building Strong Partnerships: Effective communication strengthens the relationship between school and home, enhancing the educational experience for pupils.

We will use a variety of tools to facilitate communication:

- **In person:** By being visible during drop-off and pick-up times, staff members are available to engage with parents directly. This practice allows for immediate communication, making it easier to address any concerns or queries that parents might have.
- **Newsletters:** Monthly school newsletters will provide updates on school events, important dates, and highlights. Diary dates posters for the forthcoming three month will be displayed on both of our noticeboards as well as being available via the calendar section of our school website.
- **Parent-Teacher Meetings:** Parent consultation meetings offer opportunities for face-to-face discussions about your child's progress. These will take place during the second half of the Autumn and Spring Term to keep you up to date with your child's progress throughout the school year.
- **Online Portals:** Access to online platforms, like Class Dojo and Tapestry, keeps you informed about your child's classroom activities and progress.
- **Text Messaging Services:** Quick alerts and reminders are sent directly to your phone for convenience.
- **Appointments and telephone calls:** Wherever possible, staff will endeavour to speak with parents directly. To facilitate this, we will encourage you to make an appointment to meet with your child's teachers. If an in-person meeting is not feasible, we will arrange a phone call. This flexibility ensures that we can accommodate your schedule while maintaining the essential dialogue between home and school.

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A parental forum serves as a valuable platform for engaging with the school community by fostering open communication between parents and the school leadership. The purpose of a parental forum is to provide parents with an opportunity to voice their opinions, share ideas, and participate in discussions about school policies, initiatives, and their children's learning environment. By attending these forums, parents can contribute to decision-making processes and collaborate with the school to support the overall educational experience at Silverhill Primary School. This partnership helps create a supportive and inclusive school community, ensuring that the needs and concerns of parents are heard and addressed effectively.

Encouraging Feedback and Open Dialogue:

We value your feedback and are committed to continuously improving our communication strategies. We encourage you to:

- Share your thoughts and suggestions with us through our termly parental forums.
- Engage in open dialogue during meetings and through our communication channels.
- Participate in surveys that help us tailor our communication to better meet your needs.



Community

At Silverhill Primary School, we believe that fostering a close-knit community is key to enhancing the educational experiences of our pupils. A strong community can:

Enhance Learning Experiences: Involvement from the community can bring diverse perspectives and resources, enriching the learning environment for our pupils.

Provide Additional Resources: Collaboration with parents, local businesses, and organizations can lead to additional resources and opportunities for our pupils.

Foster a Sense of Belonging: By working together, we can create a welcoming atmosphere where pupils, parents, and staff feel valued and connected.

Parents supporting the school
– volunteering, offering expertise, understanding the pedagogies behind our curriculum, Governors, PTFA, running a club

We will encourage all parents and carers to participate in school events, volunteer opportunities, and community projects. Your involvement is vital in creating a thriving environment for our pupils

Building our community could include:

Volunteering in classrooms or at school functions

Engaging in community projects that support our school

EYFS Open Sessions: Join us for our Early Years Foundation Stage open sessions, where you can learn more about our approach to early education and meet other parents and carers.

Key Stage 1 Phonics and Food: Participate in a fun and educational session focused on phonics, followed by a communal meal to strengthen our bonds.

Key Stage 2 Maths and a Meal: Engage with your child's learning in mathematics and enjoy a shared meal with other families and staff.

Staff visibility creates a warm and welcoming atmosphere for both pupils and parents. It sets a positive tone for the day and helps in building a strong sense of community within the school.

