

# Oastlers School

## Policy Document



### **PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY**

#### **OVERVIEW**

In this school we aim to provide an ethos in which teachers and parents/carers are encouraged to support each other in the education of the learners in our care. Our intention will be to welcome parents/carers and involve them in the work and life of the school. We believe that where parents/carers are partners in the process of education the learners thrive and do well.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

1. To welcome parents to join in the work and life of the school as partners/carers helping us to promote the school's aims.
2. To create clear and effective channels of communication with parents.
3. To build on the work that parents have done with their children and to enable parents/carers to continue to support the learning process both in and out of school.
4. To share with parents/carers a clear and accurate picture of their child's progress and achievement.
5. To work with parents/carers in identifying learning goals for children and in finding and implementing agreed solutions when problems arise.
6. To work in collaboration with parents to promote the school's policies.
7. To involve parents/carers in meeting learners' individual and special needs.
8. To involve parents/carers in the social and extra curricular life of the school.

#### **STRATEGY**

1. Parents/carers will be welcomed in school as partners in the learning process.
2. Their concerns and issues will be dealt with in a professional, friendly, sensitive and prompt manner.
3. Parents/carers will be encouraged to build supportive relationships with class teachers by calling at school for a brief word or if more time is necessary, by making appointments at mutually convenient times.
4. Important information from the school will be sent to parents/carers by letter.
5. Where a learner has an individual need parents/carers will be contacted and invited into school to help resolve it.
6. Parents/carers will be given regular feedback on their child's learning, progress and achievement through parents' evenings and written reports.
7. Parents/carers will be encouraged to be involved in the life and work of the school in many ways including:
  - working in classrooms with children or in support of teachers;
  - helping with extra-curricular activities and school visits; and
  - being involved in social and fundraising activities

#### **OUTCOME**

The ethos of the school will be one in which parents/carers and staff are mutually supportive. As a result, learners will benefit in their development, progress and achievement. This partnership will give learners the best opportunity to benefit from school. Our links with parents/carers and the community will be used to help promote community cohesion.

**Revised and adopted by the Governing Body .....**