

## **Oakworth Primary School**

### **Parental Involvement Policy**

#### **1 Introduction**

- 1.1** All parents and carers are equally valued as part of our school community. Children's learning is improved when we work in partnership with their parents or carers, and their wider family. We therefore believe in close cooperation with all families.

#### **2 Aims**

- 2.1** Our aims through parental involvement are:

- to provide a partnership between home and school, seeking to ensure that families feel welcome and valued.
- to encourage parents and carers to be involved in the children's learning;
- to enhance the learning experiences of all pupils;

#### **3 Involvement in the life of the school**


- 3.1** We actively encourage parents and carers to contact school, if they have a question or concern.
- 3.2** Either a teacher or Learning Support Assistant is available on the door before and after school.
- 3.3** Families are invited to regular events, activities and celebrations that are organised by the school.
- 3.4** Regular newsletters are sent home to help keep all stakeholders informed.
- 3.5** All policies are on the website for parents and carers to access as required.
- 3.6** Regular text messages are sent home by school.

## 4 Organisational arrangements

- 4.1 It is necessary to organise a personal background check with the Disclosure & Barring Service on any person who will be working with children in school, prior to that person's involvement. We also have to conduct a full interview process including application, references and interview for any person wanting to volunteer in our school.
- 4.2 Insurance cover will be organised regarding parents' and carers' work at school, but those involved in transporting children in private vehicles will have to check their own insurance arrangements in this regard.
- 4.3 All helpers are asked to sign in and sign out of school when visiting, for security reasons.
- 4.4 All helpers will be given an identification badge to wear around school.
- 4.5 All helpers working with children in class are asked to check the purpose and details of the activity, before commencement, by talking with the teacher or learning support assistant.
- 4.6 All helpers are asked to inform the school, in advance if possible, should they be unable to attend school at a prearranged time.
- 4.7 All helpers will be reminded of the confidential nature of their work in school. Confidentiality is key and any person working in school must respect this.

## 5 Monitoring and review

- 5.2 This policy will be reviewed in two years, or earlier if necessary.

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