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# TANFIELD

## SCHOOL

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# HOME - SCHOOL

## AGREEMENT

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## 1. THE TANFIELD DIFFERENCE

The Tanfield Difference is our relentless focus on student achievement, led by highly committed and highly professional staff. By creating a can-do, independent culture with an emphasis on self-discipline, we prepare our learners for future success in an ever-changing world. Our School puts students at their heart and work in close partnership with parents. We value diversity and cultivate a happy school, based on strong relationships, mutual respect, integrity and honesty.

### **Tanfield School will ensure that:**

- we provide a safe and supportive environment for students to enjoy learning and achieve their full potential
- we provide a consistently high standard of teaching
- students have the best possible education by providing a suitable curriculum and individual support
- we provide parents / carers with regular reports and opportunity for discussion about their child's progress
- we set regular homework
- we contact home to acknowledge students' successes
- we contact home if there are concerns about students' behaviour, progress or attendance
- we contact home if students are to be retained for more than 10 minutes after the end of the school day
- we provide a wide variety of co-curricular electives, trips and residential visits

### **Parents / carers will ensure that:**

- your child attends every day, on time, unless they are ill
- your child does not take extended family trips or holidays during term-time
- your child has the correct learning equipment needed for the day, including PE kit when necessary
- you support the school's policies and regulations on behaviour and uniform including same day lunchtime detentions, after-school detentions and SLT detentions (4 - 5pm).
- Contact the school directly if you have any issues and not to use social media to air complaints or negative opinions about the school.
- you provide a suitable environment for your child to work at home
- your child completes their homework on time and to the highest standard
- you attend Advisor consultations and parent / carer evenings to discuss your child's progress, and any other meetings arranged with your support
- your contact details are up-to-date and you let the main office know if your contact details change
- you support your child in participating in co-curricular electives, trips and residential visits
- you pay for the replacement of any items, equipment or books your child loses or damages
- you help your child prepare for tests and exams. This includes them attending working lunch, after school support such as homework club, Get Exam Ready (3.10pm – 4pm) and Champions Hour (4pm – 5pm)

### **Students will ensure that they:**

- work hard and follow the learning habits in every lesson and around the school
- attend regularly, arrive on time, wear the correct uniform correctly and bring the correct equipment

- behave responsibly both at the school and travelling to and from the school
- complete all homework to the highest standard and hand it in on time
- treat all adults and students with respect
- be polite at all times and open the door to let an adult through first
- respect the school building and equipment and leave all rooms tidy after using them
- do not undermine the safety of others
- take letters and messages home and deliver them to their parents / carers
- take an active part in the school life including co-curricular electives, clubs, teams, trips and residential visits.
- Attend directed after school activities to support with your learning such as

**Failure to keep to the Agreement will result in disciplinary action and ultimately a loss of place at Tanfield.**

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / carer signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Headteacher signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_