



Holycross National School

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

Policy on Parental Involvement

- Our school is a community where pupils, parents and teachers collaborate and work in partnership for our children.
- Respect for the professional role of the teacher and the statutory responsibilities of the Principal, Patron and the Board of Management is always an important consideration.
- Parents/Guardians are invited to become involved in the school and to instill a positive attitude to education and learning in many ways and at many levels, for example:
 - Serving on school bodies (Board of Management, Fundraising Committee)
 - Prayer and Faith Formation especially in preparation for the sacraments.
 - Celebration of Christmas and Easter
- Parents/Guardians encourage their children to obey school rules; they sign the Code of Behaviour policy.
- Oversee homework
- Sign pupils' homework journal where appropriate
- Encourage their children to read by taking them to the local library, by reading aloud to them.
- Parents/Guardians are encouraged to make themselves familiar with the curriculum studied by their children.
- Parents/Guardians are invited to formal Parent/Teacher meetings once every year.
- Informal meetings with parents are welcomed. Teachers are happy to meet with parents. An appointment can be made through the school office or by writing a note in the pupil's homework journal.
- The school Code of Behaviour and Discipline outlines parental involvement in ensuring that there is a high standard of behaviour in our school. The aim of our Code of Behaviour and Discipline is to ensure that the individuality of each child is accommodated while acknowledging the right of each child to education in a relatively disruption-free environment. All parents must sign to agree to comply with the Code of Behaviour prior to admission to the school.
- The school staff works closely with parents of children who need assessment for special education.
- Parents are involved in drawing up School Support Plans for children who need them, throughout the year.

Ratification and Review

This policy was formally ratified by the Board of Management on 11/5/23.

Signed: Michael Ryan Chairperson, BoM Date: 11/5/23

Signed: Julia Dune Principal Date: 11/5/23