

Cramlington Learning Village
A commitment to parental engagement

At Cramlington Learning Village we are committed to establishing and maintaining an effective and purposeful working relationship between the school and home and we recognise how parental engagement can improve student achievement, reduce absenteeism; and restore parents' confidence in their children's education.

Priorities:

1. To develop good communication with parents and to fully inform them about what is happening in school.
2. To actively involve parents in the education and progress of their child.
3. To make good use of parents' expertise and willingness to enhance their own learning and that of their child and to actively involve them in school life.
4. To establish the views and opinions of parents of the school and act upon these where appropriate.

To develop good communication and fully inform parents about what is happening in school and to actively involve parents in the education and progress of their child we will:

- Make letters, school prospectus and key policies user friendly, useful, and informative.
- Make relevant school policies available to parents and ensure appropriate procedures are clear.
- Send regular updates of key events/activities.
- Hold a parents' information evening at the start of the academic term.
- Hold a parents' evening for each year group.
- Send termly reports to parents and make these available on the parent portal.
- Provide a regularly updated programme of events to parents including trips, family learning opportunities, work experience, sports, and arts activities.
- Upload termly parent newsletters.
- Display key information on the school website and around school.
- Provide good induction for all groups of new parents.
- Provide opportunities for all prospective parents to find out about the school.
- Provide opportunities for parents to discuss all decisions on transitions.
- Ensure all pupils have a careers interview.
- Identify the SENCO as the link to outside agencies and resources.
- Ensure information is produced and distributed appropriately, taking account of parental needs and views.
- Review policies including the Home-School Agreement regularly to take account of parental views and make these accessible.

To make good use of parents' expertise and willingness to enhance their own learning and that of their child and to actively involve them in school life we will encourage parents to:

- Attend school performances, events and celebrations.
- Participate in Family and Adult Learning events organised by the school.
- Use opportunities to have informal discussions with staff members.

To establish the views and opinions of parents and act upon these we will:

- Regularly seek parental views on a range of topics affecting pupils' education through questionnaires, surveys, and verbal discussion. Feedback is valued and responses will be seriously considered and actioned where appropriate and in pupils' best interests.
- Establish and develop a Parent in Partnership Group.