

**Pupil Premium
Awards 2013
National Winner**



**Pakeman
Primary School**

Working with Parents Policy

**Review Date: November 2016
Next Review Date: November 2018**

Ethos Statement

Pakeman School offers a positive, safe learning environment for its community, in which everyone has equal and individual recognition and respect. We celebrate success and are committed to the continuous improvement and fulfilment of potential in every child. We encourage increasing independence and self-discipline amongst the pupils. Everyone within the school has an important role to play in sharing responsibility for the development of positive behaviour and attitudes.

Lynne Gavin
Headteacher

Date

Nicky Manby
Chair of Governors

Date

WORKING WITH PARENTS

Children do best when school and parents work together. At Pakeman, we encourage cooperation between home and school and aim to resolve any concerns that arise promptly and efficiently, to ensure that teachers and pupils can work and learn in a safe and harmonious environment.

Parents are actively encouraged to become involved in their child's learning, for example by hearing their child read and helping them learn times tables. Classes at school familiarise parents with the ways maths and literacy are taught at Pakeman. There are opportunities for children to "bring a parent to school" and for parents to accompany their child's class on school trips.

Our school home support worker can help with issues at home which may have a negative impact on a child's learning, such as poor attendance.

If parents have any concerns, their first step should be to arrange a meeting with their child's class teacher outside teaching hours. The next step would be to speak to the phase leader of their child's year group. This can be arranged with the school office.

Issues should be raised directly with the school as it may be unhelpful for a parent to discuss concerns with other parents and it is unacceptable for a parent to approach a child other than their own.

At all times, parent and staff behaviour should be courteous. Shouting, swearing or intimidating verbal or physical behaviour will not be tolerated. Should such behaviour occur, a meeting may be terminated, and in serious cases the police may be called.

In the first event of such behaviour, the parent will be warned in writing that a repeat of the behaviour will result in their being banned from the school premises.

Repeat behaviour will result in the Headteacher writing to the parent to impose a ban from the school premises for a period at the Headteacher's discretion. The letter will inform the parent of their right to appeal against the ban by writing to the Chair of Governors.