

# School Charter

2021–2022



St Peter's is a caring Christian community, where we love, learn and aim for excellence.

## School Vision

We are St Peter's, a Christian village school rooted in our community.

We strive to create an inclusive, caring environment where our learners grow to enjoy life in all its fullness.

Just as St Peter himself was entrusted to be the rock on which Jesus founded his church, we develop firm foundations for life within our pupils based on Jesus' teachings.

### We have three key aims:

- To LOVE one another in the way God loves us.
- To inspire children to love to LEARN; and equip them with the skills and attitudes to do so all their lives.
- To AIM HIGH so every child can achieve their full potential.

Our pupils are nurtured to develop their self-confidence, spirituality, personal well-being, respect for others and their own unique talents in a broad curriculum.

When our pupils move on to the next stage of their education, our aspiration is that we have developed 'Life-Long Learners' who have a strong appreciation of their role in; and responsibilities towards; the local community, our country and the changing world.



*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for The Lord".*  
**COLOSSIANS 3:23**

*This charter provides the basis for a positive working relationship between home and school that will have the maximum positive impact upon pupils' wellbeing and academic progress.*



## OUR PLEDGE - We pledge that, over their time at St Peter's, each child will:



- Take part in an adventurous activity.
- Raise money for charity.
- Swim 25m in our pool without stopping.
- Do walks around Cowfold to appreciate its history, geography and community.
- Spend a day in the woods to help light a fire, build a shelter and get muddy!

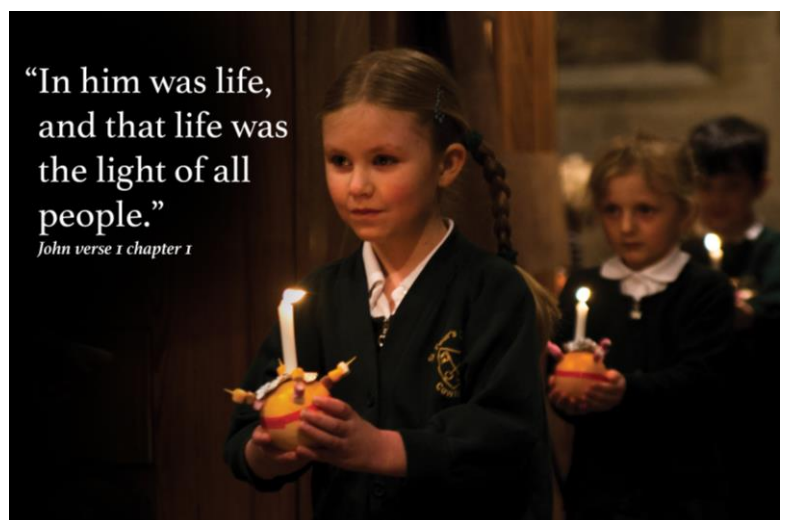
- Contribute to a special church service.
- Take part in a play, or musical, in front of a live audience.
- Lead a group in prayer.



- Publish their own story, poem and non-fiction text.
- Find a solution to a tricky maths puzzle or problem.
- Have a piece of art work, they are proud of, put up on display.



- Represent the school at an event / competition with / against other schools.
- Ask a question and then find out the answer for themselves.
- Make, and maintain, close friendships.
- Have fun!



## How we can work in partnership for the benefit of our children.

### The school will:

- ❖ Care for each child's welfare, safety (including e-safety) and happiness.
- ❖ Encourage each child to do their best at all times.
- ❖ Develop each child's potential – socially, spiritually, culturally, academically and physically.
- ❖ Strive to achieve high standards of work, exemplary behaviour and a superb attitude by building excellent relationships and developing a sense of responsibility.
- ❖ Inform parents about the school curriculum and what we aim to teach the children each term.
- ❖ Discuss with parents about the progress their child is making at school and the next stages of learning.
- ❖ Inform parents of any important issues which relate to their child, and which may arise at school.
- ❖ Be understanding and supportive of families during difficult times such as illness, moving and so on.
- ❖ Be open and welcoming and offer opportunities for parents to become involved in the daily life of the school.
- ❖ Develop and maintain links with the local community.
- ❖ Respect all visitors to the school.



Signed: (Headteacher)

### We expect that parents / guardians will:

- ❖ Ensure that their child attends school regularly and arrives on time.
- ❖ Ensure that their child is wearing the correct school uniform and is properly equipped e.g. has PE kit and any books or stationery as required.
- ❖ Inform the school by 9.20am, at the latest, if their child cannot attend school.
- ❖ Let the school know of any concerns or problems that might affect their child at school.
- ❖ Support the school's Christian Ethos and policies.
- ❖ Encourage exemplary behaviour.
- ❖ Support their child in homework and other opportunities for home learning.
- ❖ Get to know about their child's life at school by attending parent consultation evenings, reading information sent out and ensuring good liaison between home and school.
- ❖ Get involved in the wider life of the school whenever possible.
- ❖ Ensure their child is safe on the internet and uses it responsibly.
- ❖ Respect all adults and children whilst visiting the school and when using social media sites like Facebook.
- ❖ Follow procedures for airing concerns and complaints and not use social media to do so.



## **We expect that pupils will:**

*(Parents – please discuss this with your child)*

- ❖ Do all their class work and homework as well as they can.
- ❖ Take responsibility for their own work and conduct.
- ❖ Be helpful and friendly to all.
- ❖ Treat other people and their belongings with care and respect.
- ❖ Respect all children, visitors and adults working in the school.
- ❖ Look after the school property, buildings and grounds.
- ❖ Follow internet safety rules and use computers or i-pads responsibly.

## **The school's governors will:**

- ❖ Encourage the upholding of the aims and Christian ethos of the school.
- ❖ Support the school's efforts in striving to provide an excellent, enjoyable and inclusive education.
- ❖ Promote good relationships and communication between the school, parents, governors and the wider community.
- ❖ Hold school leaders to account for spending the school budget in the most effective manner possible.

