



Heather Garth
Primary Academy
Stars Aiming High

Parental Engagement

At Heather Garth, we are committed to promoting strong and meaningful parental engagement that supports children's learning and development. As part of our parental offer, we provide a range of opportunities for parents to engage with school life and their child's education.

Within the Foundation Stage, we offer *Play and Stay* sessions, and across the wider school we hold parent engagement sessions that allow families to become actively involved in their children's learning. These sessions provide parents with valuable insight into what their child is learning and how they can support this at home.

We also offer information sessions to support parents at key milestones throughout their child's school journey, alongside regular parent consultations and welcome meetings for new families. Our Family Engagement Officer is available to provide guidance and support, and to address any questions or concerns that may arise from these events.

Key Benefits of Parental Involvement in Schooling

Parental involvement plays a vital role in a child's academic and personal success. When parents actively engage in their child's learning, it enhances educational outcomes and strengthens the partnership between home and school.

- **Academic Success:** Children with engaged parents are more likely to achieve higher academic outcomes and perform better in assessments.
- **Improved Behaviour and Attitudes:** Active parental involvement is linked to improved behaviour and a more positive attitude toward school.
- **Increased Motivation and Self-Esteem:** When parents show interest in schoolwork, children feel valued and develop greater confidence and pride in their learning.
- **Stronger Parent–Teacher Partnerships:** Effective collaboration supports consistency between home and school, enables early identification of learning needs, and ensures appropriate support.
- **Higher Attendance Rates:** Parental engagement encourages accountability and supports improved attendance.
- **Enhanced Social and Emotional Development:** Children develop stronger communication skills, emotional regulation, and resilience.

By engaging in their child's education, parents act as positive role models and help to create a supportive environment that fosters both academic achievement and personal development. We recognise that time is valuable and greatly appreciate parents' involvement. We hope you acknowledge the importance of these opportunities and the significant positive impact they have on both parents and children.