



Trinity Fields is a Rights Respecting School and a Healthy School

Trinity Fields is a Rights Respecting School and we are committed to the principles and values of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) across all areas of our work.

We are also a Healthy School and we take responsibility for maintaining and promoting the health and wellbeing of the Trinity Fields team (pupils, parents/carers, staff, governors etc.). This includes teaching pupils about how to lead healthy lives but by enabling our pupils and staff to take control over aspects of the school environment which influence their health.

As a Rights Respecting School we are committed to the principles and values of the United Nation Conventions for the Rights of the Pupil (UNCRC). This approach enables all pupils to access and enjoy the following articles of the convention:

Article 12: Every child has the right to be heard.

Article 28: Every pupil has the right to an education.

Article 29: Education must develop every pupil's personality, talents and abilities to the full.

Article 42: Every pupil has the right to know their rights.

f you have any questions or queries about any information that appears in this guide please contact:

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Children are put at the centre of all we do at Trinity Fields.

We believe each child is unique and special.

We work in partnership with home to ensure that every child reaches their full potential.

By working together we will achieve the best for every child.

This leaflet aims to give you an overview some of the ways we aim to work with our families in order to further support our pupils.

Further information can be found on the school website and in the full policy document.

Working together in a changing world, creating success for all.

A Parent/ **Carers' Guide**

Working with Families

Gwaith gyda'r Teilu

At Trinity Fields we are very pleased to have been the first Special School in Wales to be awarded the 'Investors in Families' award, in recognition of our commitment to working closely with families.

This leaflet aims to give an overview of some of the ways in which we offer support to our parents, carers and families.

Home support team

We have a very active Home Support Worker, who is able to offer support at home, and make families aware of the range of services on offer.

These include:

- An active and enthusiastic family support group.
- Training and information sessions
- Practical support- toileting advice, behaviour management support, advice on managing routines and schedules.
- Support with attending appointments and medical appointments.
- Assistance with form completion.

Contact with parents

Many of our pupils travel to school on home/ school transport, which means that parents and teachers can miss out on face to face daily contact. Good communication between home and school is vital. Each pupil has a home/ school diary which is filled in by the class team daily, keeping parents/carers informed of their child's day, their achievements and activities.

Phone calls are another method of keeping in touch with parents, and parents are welcome to phone the class teacher to discuss any issues. We also use Teachers2Parents text service, and many classes use the SeeSaw App to safely share videos and photographs of your child with you. Letters are sent out regularly to keep families informed of events, and the 'Trinity Times' newsletter is produced and sent home each term.

Families are invited to a range of events throughout the year, which range from coffee mornings, special performances, special assemblies to celebrate pupil achievements, and the annual Eisteddfod and art exhibition.

Parents evenings are held once a term. Flexible appointments can be made available where needed.

PTA (Parent/ Teacher Association)

We are fortunate to have an active and hard working PTA group, who meet half termly to plan events and fundraising events. All are welcome to attend, either on a regular basis or to 'drop in' when able to attend.

Clinics and nursing staff

Many of our pupils need to attend a range of appointments during the year. In order to minimise the amount of time needed out of school, a number of clinics and appointments are held at school. These include:

- Dietician
- Orthotics
- Seating Clinics
- Dental Van

Some of our pupils require essential medication or gastrostomy feeding. The full time nursing staff on site ensures that medication and feeds are administered appropriately.

Centre for meetings

A variety of multi-agency meetings are held at school, such as Care and Support meetings, Core Group meetings and Respite Reviews.

A programme of training events and information sessions are organised for families throughout the year. These have included 'Early Bird' autism training, Signalong, Outdoor Learning and Sensory Learning.

The views and feedback of our parents/ carers are very important to us as part of our Self-Evaluation process. During the Summer Term an annual Parent/Carer questionnaire in sent to all parents , and comments and responses are taken very seriously on a range of issues.

In addition to this, throughout the year the views of parents are sought in response to events and activities, in order to continue to improve the services we offer.

Our commitment to you

We firmly believe that by working in close partnership with parents, carers and the wider families of our pupils, we will help our pupils to achieve the very best.