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The Bridge Home/School Agreement

The Bridge is part of Section 19 Medical Needs Education which provides support to schools when a child is unable to attend due to their health. The Bridge delivers a mainstream curriculum through a part-time timetable. The placement at the Bridge is temporary and is reviewed after an initial 6 weeks. Further reviews take place at least termly to monitor a child's progress both academically and in terms of health. The aim is to support children to return to full-time school when it is appropriate.

It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to ensure a child attends regularly and arranges a safe way of travel to and from the Bridge.

The Bridge has an attendance policy which requires parents/guardians to contact the teacher in charge on each day of absence stating the reason for absence. You can do this by phone call or by sending an email to pupilabsence@sandfieldpark.liverpool.sch.uk. Please ensure you give a reason for absence. The home school is informed of any absences. If there are absences with no reason these will be unauthorised and the home school may arrange a home visit if required.

The Bridge has a mobile phone policy which requires all pupils to hand their phone in to the teacher at the start of each lesson. The phone will be kept at the front of the classroom so that those pupils who need to listen to music to reduce any anxiety can do so.

The Bridge staff will support your child to attend lessons and to engage in their education. There are various ways in which support is provided. However if your child is still struggling to go to lessons or to engage in the support offered you will be contacted so that you can arrange for your child to go home.

The environment at the Bridge is a key factor enabling children to attend their lessons safely and comfortably. The Bridge provides opportunities to take part in other activities both on and off site which are important to improving self-confidence and well-being.

Pupils must comply with the Bridge policies and behaviour expectations. The Service may be withdrawn if there is a lack of engagement/attendance or if their behaviours are having a detrimental effect on other pupils learning and health. This includes any intimidation,

threatening/malicious comments or bullying on social media that impacts on other pupils ability to attend ACE.

For parent advice and resources regarding on-line safety please go to:

mglworld.onlinesafetyhub.uk/parent/home

- I have read the above statements and agree to the terms of the Bridge placement.
- I agree that medical/health information can be provided by the health professional.
- I understand that the place at the Bridge is based on my child meeting the health criteria.
- I understand that this placement is **temporary** whilst it is agreed that my child is too ill to attend their own school.
- I fully support the behaviour and mobile phone policies.
- I am happy to work with the Bridge to ensure that my child follows the expected standards of behaviour.
- **I understand that the service may be withdrawn if there is a significant lack of engagement and/or attendance.**

Pupil Name:

Parent:

Parent signature:

Date:

Please see the Bridge pages on the school website for all of the policies mentioned above.

<http://sandfieldparkschool.com>