



## MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

The Oxfordshire Independent & State School Partnership (OISSP) is a company limited by guarantee with charitable status. Its main aims are:

To encourage and support links and activities between maintained and independent schools within Oxfordshire, to the benefit of children, young people and teachers in both sectors and in the wider community.

To carry out such activities, which are considered by the trustees to be in general support of the main objective, provided that they are deemed to be charitable as defined in the Charities Act.

### Under this partnership agreement the OISSP agrees to:

- Support member schools in collaborative working.
- Help enable children and young people to access and enjoy studies and activities across a broad cultural and creative spectrum.
- Help create ways for children and young people from all sectors of school life to experience working together for a common purpose through special project work.
- Support teachers in the sharing of good ideas for learning and collaborative ways of working.
- Provide teachers with opportunities for shared professional development.
- Provide opportunities for Head Teachers to gain information about curriculum developments and strategies through events and conferences.
- Provide opportunities for networking and sharing best practice.
- Recognise and celebrate positive images of young people and their contribution to society.
- Develop a website, which will act as an information portal for the sharing of best practice and celebrating achievements.

### Under this partnership agreement the member school agrees to:

- Support the activities of the OISSP and its development of collaborative working.
- Identify a member of staff as a co-ordinator to oversee OISSP activities giving them the time and support to effectively carry out this duty.
- Share information and good practice with other schools and participate in disseminating information on best practice.
- Support the OISSP in special project work and in celebrating achievements.
- Take part in a process of mutual review every two years.

**This agreement is between the Oxfordshire Independent/State School Partnership and.....**

**School:**.....

*On behalf of the school:*.....*Head Teacher*

*On behalf of OISSP:*.....*OISSP Co-ordinator*

*Date:*.....