

Attendance Matters



Our attendance target:
93%

Why is good attendance important?

Coming to school every day helps your child learn well, make friends, and feel part of the school community. Regular attendance is seen as essential to a good education.

How can we help?

We understand there can be tricky times and so we offer our full support with any attendance issue-keeping us in the loop is the key! Please do not hesitate to contact us if there are ever any problems. If required, together with our Attendance Officer and our Educational Welfare Officer, we can remove barriers which may affect a child's attendance, so that they can have the education they deserve.

What is good attendance?

95%+	Best chance of success - your child is taking advantage of every learning opportunity
95% - 90%	Satisfactory - your child may have to spend time catching up with work.
90% - 85%	Low - your child may be at risk of underachieving
85% - 80%	Poor - significant impact on learning
Below 80%	Very poor - risk of prosecution

Late for school?

When your child arrives late at school, they miss important events like registration, morning tasks, and introductions to lessons. Frequent lateness can add up to a considerable amount of learning lost and can seriously disadvantage your child.



How can you help?

You are legally responsible for making sure your child attends school on time every day. Please help us to help you! Make medical /dental appointments after school or in the holidays:

Make medical/dental appointments after school or during the holidays

Take family holidays in the school holidays

ALWAYS let us know if your child is absent

If your child is ill, phone school before 9:20am on their FIRST day of absence

Authorised and Unauthorised

Authorised absences are those that have a valid reason including illness or medical appointments. Unauthorised absences are when a child misses school without an acceptable explanation, including term-time holidays or lateness after the register closes.

Fixed Term Penalty notices may be issued:

- Your child has 10 days or more of unauthorised absence
- Your child is late more than 20 sessions

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