

ATTENDANCE:

We expect all children on roll to attend school every day, when the school is in session, as long as they are fit and healthy enough to do so. *The better your child's attendance the better your child will achieve - it's that simple!*



Why does Attendance Matter?

Good attendance means being at school for **at least 96%** of the time

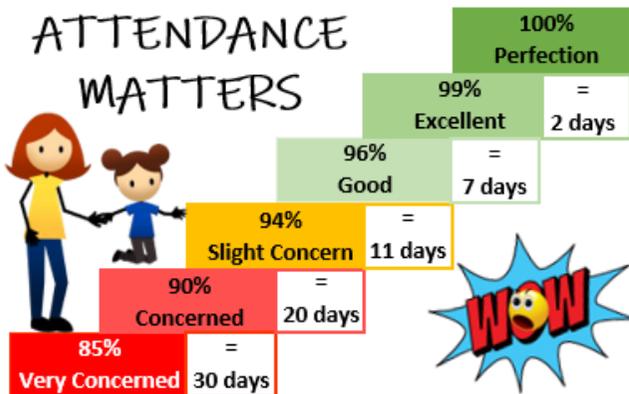
There are **365** days in a year, we **ONLY** spend **190** days at school, leaving **175** days for families to go on holiday, have days out, go shopping or attend non-urgent medical appointments.

It only takes **8** days absence over a school year to put your child's absence below 96%

It only takes **19** days absence over a school year for your child to be classed by the Government as **Persistently Absent at 90%**

Some absences are unavoidable. We understand that children will get sick and need to stay home occasionally. The important thing is to get your child to school as often as possible.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Why does Punctuality Matter?

The school day looks like:

8.00am

Breakfast Club

8.45am

School gates and classrooms are opened to all children

8.50am

Our school day begins

10.15-10.30am

Assemblies and our celebration assemblies take place 9am every Friday (unless otherwise stated)

10.30am

Morning Break

11.30am-12.15pm

EYFS Lunch Break

12.15pm-1pm

KS1 Lunch Break

12.30-1.15pm

KS2 Lunch Break

2.00-2.15pm

Afternoon Break (KS1)

3.20pm

End of school, dismissal

Being just **5 minutes** late a day loses **3 days** of learning a year.

Being **15 minutes** is the same as missing **2 weeks** of school.

What can we do together?

Things you can do to keep good attendance:



Contact school ASAP if your child is absent; no-reason for absence results in automatic un-authorisation



Trust staff in school will look after your child and will contact you if they need collecting



Allow staff to administer temporary medicines and/or give Calpol with your permission



If your child misses the morning session because they need a bit more rest, bring them to school for the afternoon session



Speak to your child's Class Teacher or Key Stage Leader if you are having particular issues with child's health or getting them to school



Where possible please ensure all medical appointments are made during term time or after school



Speak to a member of staff if you are unsure when your child can return after illness



Use school holidays and INSET days to go away