



Tuesday 24th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Rewarding Good Attendance

From the start of the next half-term, we will be resuming our special attendance celebratory assemblies in order to promote the importance of ensuring good attendance.

The minimum expected attendance level for every pupil for the academic year is 95%. There are clear links between poor attendance and poor attainment. Children's life chances are enhanced by regular attendance at school and the school will support parents and carers in achieving excellent attendance in order to maximise educational opportunities for their children. If children are absent from school, they miss these exciting key learning opportunities resulting in gaps in their knowledge and understanding. This can significantly impact upon their learning and development.

We expect that all pupils will:

- attend school regularly;
- attend school punctually;
- attend school appropriately prepared for the day;
- be picked up from school punctually.



Absence should only occur when a child is unfit to learn, where this is an exceptional circumstance or the child has a day of religious observance. Poor attendance and punctuality, even at the earliest age, can affect achievement later in life so establishing good habits from the start of a child's school life helps children to settle more quickly into their new setting and routines.

Our school gates open at 9:00am. Children need to be in class and ready to learn by 9:10am each day, when the register is called. Regular attendance and good punctuality are important for maximising achievement and gaining the greatest benefit from education

We take pride in the efforts and achievements of our children. We will reward good attendance in the following ways:

- Attendance of 96% and above, for a school term, will be recognised with the award of an Attendance Certificate
- Attendance of 100%, for a school term, will be recognised with the award of an Attendance Certificate and a special gift at a celebratory assembly
- Attendance of 100%, for a full school year (3 terms), will be recognised with the award of an Attendance Certificate and a special gift at a celebratory assembly

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your co-operation and support in ensuring that your child maintains good attendance to enable them to make the best possible progress.

Yours sincerely,

Ms J Charman
Headteacher