

Attendance Matters!

Newsletter—May 2023



School Attendance up to Friday 19th May is 94.3%

Class attendances
up to 19-5-19

Bees— 92%

Butterflies— 91.1%

Ants— 94.1%

Fireflies— 91.9%

Penguins— 93.5%

Polar bears— 94.9%

Lions— 94.3%

Tigers— 95.1%

Badgers— 94.9%

Otters— 95.8%

Eagles— 93.6%

Owls—95.2%

Sharks— 95.6%

Dolphins— 92.7%

153 children have achieved 100%
attendance so far this half term!

How many can get 100% attendance next half term?

Our school
target is
96%

Be aware that if your child has attendance below 90%
at the end of this school year, you may have to use a
medical card from September to show evidence of any
illness ,in order for absences to be authorised.

Attendance Challenge

The attendance challenge is
back! Support your child to
come in everyday for five
weeks for some special treats!
How many children will
achieve all five weeks to get
the ultimate prize—squash
and a cake with Mr Fraser?



Your Attendance Leads

Please remember that any communication
you receive from the Attendance Leads has
the sole purpose of getting your child in to
school more. We want all the children to be
the best they can be, everyday. We
appreciate that you worry about your child,
but we promise to send them home if they
are too poorly to be in school.



What can parents and children do to improve attendance?

- Go on holiday during the 14 weeks allocated a year, **NOT** during term time.
- Regular handwashing to reduce spread of illness.
- If children wake up feeling a bit under the weather, send them in. We **WILL** send them home if they're not well enough to attend. Children should be really poorly to miss school.
- Arrange haircuts, doctors appointments, shopping trips, special trips for either after school, weekends or holidays.

Percentage attendance	Days absent	Impact on child's success at school	Future potential
100% excellent	None	Pupils with these levels of attendance should achieve their full potential and have a really good start in life.	Very good chance of 5 or more pass grades at GCSE
96% good	6 days – 12 sessions		
95% satisfactory	10 days – 20 sessions	Pupils with this attendance are likely to achieve their targets but will have to work harder to get there.	75% chance of 5 x pass grades at GCSE
90% unsatisfactory	19 days absent – 38 sessions	Pupils at 90% have missed almost a whole month of school and are in real danger of falling behind in Maths and English. They will have a lot to catch up on and it will be difficult for them to achieve their best.	50% chance of 5 x pass grades at GCSE.
Below 90% poor	Between 4 and 6 weeks missed.	Deemed 'persistent absence' and must be reported to the authority.	
85% serious concern	29 days – 58 sessions – equivalent to 6 weeks or a whole half term.	This time cannot be made up and pupils will find it very difficult to achieve the best that they could.	Less than 30% chance of 1 – 5 pass at GCSE

The equivalent of 1 week a term for a child's school life equates to 1 whole year of schooling missed – this can never be regained and limits a child's potential for success