



Attendance Matters



Our Whole School Attendance Challenge is



Our School Day

The school gates open at
8.35am - 8:45am

Nursery

Morning Session: 8.30am - 11.30am
Afternoon Session: 12.15pm - 3.15pm

Reception - Year 6

8.45am - 3:15pm
(morning registration closes at
9.00am)

Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



If your child is going to be absent from school.

Please contact school to inform us of the reason why your child is not attending school.

ATTENDANCE

Being at school every day is very important because regular school attendance helps children fulfil their potential and gives them a better chance for the future.

A school year is 190 days, this leaves 175 days to spend with family, on holiday, shopping and those essential appointments. The national average for children attending school is 96%.

90% attendance over the course of the school year is the equivalent to a day off every fortnight.



PUNCTUALITY

The education act states that it is the responsibility of the parent or carer to ensure that all children attend school on a regular basis AND arrive on time.

Children who arrive late and / or leave early also disrupt learning time, which can be embarrassing for the child and can in turn, encourage absence. It is also extremely disruptive for the rest of their class.

Missing 10 minutes of school a day is the same as missing two weeks over the year.

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO TO SUPPORT THEIR CHILD GOING TO SCHOOL?



Communicate

Listen to what your child has to say, talk about their concerns.



Ask for help

Talk to the school, let us know your concerns.



Encourage and develop their resilience.



Routine

Introduce regular bedtimes and getting up times.



Be positive

emphasise the positive aspects of school, being with friends and learning.