

25.09.23



Dear Parents/Carers,

As I am sure you know, it is incredibly important that children come to school everyday. Obviously there will be times when your child has a genuine reason not to be in school but children can still come to school if they have a cold or feel just a bit 'under the weather'. In school, we care greatly about all children and we would phone you if we thought your child was too poorly to attend.

Good attendance is vital for children to feel settled within school and in order for them to make good progress with their learning. The government's expectation is that children's attendance will be at least 96% which enables them to be making the best of everything within school. In school we monitor and follow up on all attendance concerns. The impact of attendance is shown in the chart below.

% attendance in a school year	Days of absence in a school year	Weeks missed in a school year
98%	4	Less than 1 week
95%	9.5	Almost 2 weeks
90%	19	Almost 4 weeks
85%	28.5	Almost 6 weeks

Here are some of the rewards and celebrations for good or improved attendance:

- Children who come to school everyday, on time, all week will get a 100% sticker.
- Weekly extra playtime for the best or most improved CREWs.
- Monthly class attendance competition for each key stage - the winning CREW will get a trophy and a golden ticket.

We need to make sure that children are in school everyday so they can make the most progress in their learning. If you would like to talk about your child's attendance or would like some support, please contact the school office and I will be happy to meet with you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "N Grant". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large 'N' and a stylized 'Grant'.

Mrs Grant
Head of School