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So, what can we do about it, together?

At our regular welfare checks the attendance of all children is looked at and your child's attendance is categorised into the Red, Amber or Green zone. We know that children get sick and so if this is the case and we know that's the reason you will still receive a letter about attendance but we would ordinarily not take any further action. If we can help you to improve attendance we will offer to do so, this may mean talking to the school nurse about recurring illnesses or through assistance from our Family Support Worker Mrs Angela Clayton.

Red	Danger Zone	Below 92%
Amber	At Risk Zone	Between 92% and 96%
Green	Safety Zone	Between 96%- 100%

Our aim is for all children to have at least 96% for both attendance and punctuality and be in the "green safety zone"

If your child's attendance falls below 96%

They will be in the "amber at risk zone"

You will receive a letter and we will monitor your child's attendance and hope to see an improvement in the coming month.

If your child's attendance falls below 92%

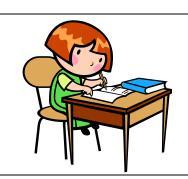
They will be in the "red danger zone"

We will contact you about improving attendance and how we may support you further. We may refer the matter to our Education Welfare Office.

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# ATTENDANCE REALLY DOES MATTER







### Did you know that:

- Your child should attend school 185 days per year
- 90% Attendance means 19.5 days off school a year ~ almost 4
   WHOLE WEEKS off school.

So although 90% sounds good it really isn't. Anything less than this will really affect your child's progress and social development.

We all want the best for our children If your child's attendance is above 96% you are giving them the opportunity to achieve and succeed

...not just now but throughout their lives!



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We believe that non-attendance at school, even for short periods of time, can have a detrimental effect on a child's achievement. In line with current Government guidelines all applications for absence in term time will be unauthorised except in exceptional circumstance, holidays are not exceptional circumstances.

 Parents and Carers are asked to complete a leave of absence request form available from the school office.

#### Punctuality matters too!

#### Did you know that:

- If your child is 5 minutes late each day they lose 3 school days!
- 10 minutes late equates to 6.5 days across the year!
- 15 minutes late each day-10 days lost!

The start the children get to their learning each day is very important, children who enter class late are unsure of what to do, disturb the teacher and others and can be embarrassed.

It's amazing how the minutes add up.

We are aiming to have an attendance percentage of 96% or above.

We're doing ok but we're not quite there yet.
We need your support to make sure we achieve this at
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Many thanks for your support.