

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance Newsletter

Autumn 2025



This year there are 188 school days, leaving 177 non-school days for family holidays, shopping trips, non-urgent medical appointments!

90% attendance means your child is missing half a day EVERY week, which means they will miss approximately 95 hours of learning in a school year!

If your child is absent for 5 days in any 10 consecutive 10 school weeks, it can result in a fine of £160 per parent, per child, if paid within 28 days; this will be reduced to £80 per parent per child, if paid within 21 days.

Students can attend school, even if feeling poorly; with parent's permission we can provide paracetamol should a student need it.

**Did you
KNOW?**

If your daughter arrives at school after 9:15am, after registers close it is coded as 'U' and counts as an unauthorised absence in terms of attendance figures. If a pupil is persistently late after the official close of the register, this can result in EWO involvement, and a penalty notice

Recent research by the Department for Education shows just how closely attendance and attainment are linked. Students with 90% attendance or less in secondary school could earn **£10,000 less** at age 28 compared to pupils with near-perfect attendance.

If students are feeling anxious, we can provide support through allowing them to work in a quieter environment or referring to our School Counsellor, our Family Support officer, our School Chaplain or our Pastoral Support Team

15 minutes late to school every day equates to 50 hours of lost learning each school year.

