

March 2026



ATTENDANCE

Here, Everyday, Ready to Learn
and On time



We want to say a big **thank you** to those families who help their children come to school **every day** and **on time**. These good habits make a real difference as children grow.



Coming to school helps children to:

- Learn more and do better in their work
- Make friends and build strong friendships
- Learn how to work and play with others
- Try new things and build confidence
- Discover what they enjoy and what they might want to do in the future

Good attendance is not just important — it helps children have the **best chance** to succeed.

Punctuality Matters

Every school day is important, and every **minute** in school helps you learn.

Our morning register starts at **8:55am**, so please try your best to ensure your child is in their classroom before 8.55am.



90% and below
Dramatic effect on
academic achievement

91% - 94%
Cause for concern

95% - 100%
Expected

Why Missing School Makes Things Harder

When children miss school, it becomes harder for them to keep up with their learning.

The more days they miss, the harder it is to get back into a good routine and catch up on the work they have missed.

What Can You Do?

Be Honest

All parents find things difficult sometimes — nobody is perfect.

If you are having a hard time getting your child to school, please talk to us.

We are here to help, and school is a great place to start when you need support.

Work With Us

We want to help families and make things better for everyone.

But we can only help if families talk to us, meet with us, and accept the help we offer.

When we work together, children get the best support.

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Countdown to Easter Attendance Challenge



The Attendance Challenge started on Wednesday 18th March and finishes on Thursday 2nd April.

Children will have a reset in attendance, all children need to do to take part is attend 100% of the time for the period of 12 days.

All children who complete the **Countdown to Easter Attendance Challenge** will receive a special certificate and sticker after the Easter holiday.



**MOMENTS
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Coming to school every day helps you learn. But sometimes, being away from school is **unavoidable** - and that's okay when there is a good reason.

Every time a child is absent, the school must mark it as **authorised** or **unauthorised**.

- **Authorised** means the reason is valid.
- **Unauthorised** means the reason is not acceptable or no reason was given.

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Reasons That Are Not Acceptable

Some reasons cannot be accepted as time off school.

These include:

- Going shopping or having a day out
- Oversleeping or getting up late
- Trips to theme parks, concerts, or shows
- Celebrating a birthday
- A parent being ill
- A parent's work plans or business trips
- Holidays during term time, including long weekends