

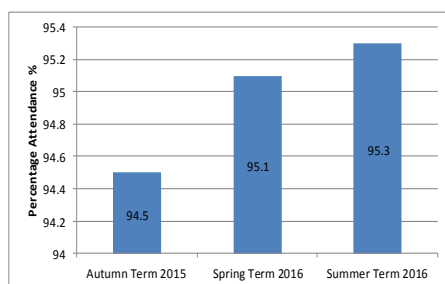
BROOKSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE NEWSLETTER : September 2016

Welcome Back

Welcome back to our new school year and your new classes we hope that you enjoyed your summer break.

As we reflect on our last school year, unfortunately as a school we seemed to have taken a small step backwards with our attendance figures. Our overall attendance for the school year was **94.9%** as compared to **95.4%** the year before. Looking at the positives our termly attendance figures improved as the year progressed and we are hoping that this trend will continue as we start our new school year today.



How Can we maintain our improvement? - On a number of occasions last year we wrote to tell you that Government regulations had now changed with regards to time off during the school term. We would like to take this opportunity to remind all of our parents that time off during the school term is only allowed in very exceptional circumstances and all parents/guardians must complete a request form before taking any time off school. Failure to do this may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued.

Attendance Calls - REMINDER

If your child is not able to attend school for a genuine reason you are required to phone the school and inform us as to why your child will be absent on that day and **every subsequent day** that they are absent. If the school is not contacted, a member of staff will contact you by phone to enquire about the reason for absence and to assist in encouraging regular, consistent student attendance. To help us with this it is therefore vital that all pupils' contact details are kept up to date, new forms will be sent out for you to complete and return. If we do not receive a message regarding your child's absence and are unable to contact you

Year Group Attendance Figures

Full Year
Sept 15–July 16

Reception— 92.6%

Year 1— 96.8%

Year 2— 94.9%

Year 3— 96.3%

Year 4— 94.4%

Year 5— 92.8%

Year 6— 93.9%

Congratulations Yr 1
what a
fantastic effort



School Matters!



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