

# Supporting Good Attendance

## Why Good Attendance Matters

Good attendance is more than just being present—evidence shows it is one of the strongest predictors of future success.

### Academic Success

A 2025 Department for Education (DfE) study shows pupils with better attendance are more likely to meet expected standards in reading, writing and maths at KS2, regardless of other factors such as prior attainment or socio-economic disadvantage



### Learning Habits

Regular attendance helps children build strong routines that improve engagement, resilience and long-term learning behaviours, which are linked to long-term success later in life.

### Well Being

Being in school helps children build friendships, feel part of a community and access vital pastoral support, and research shows that regular attendance helps prevent the isolation and decline in wellbeing that can occur when children are absent.



### Life Chances

Government and research organisations highlight that good attendance reduces the risk of involvement in unsafe situations, exploitation, or disengagement from education.

**The evidence is clear - when pupils attend regularly, they achieve more, stay safer, develop stronger relationships, and build the foundations for brighter futures.**