Attendance

90% attendance means that your son/daughter is absent from lessons for the equivalent of one half day every week

Mon		Tues		Wed		Thurs		Fri	
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Absent half a day every week

1 school year at 90% attendance = 4 whole weeks off from a 38 week school year.

If your son/daughter continues to attend for only 90% of the time, then over five years your son/daughter will MISS the equivalent of about one half of a school year.

Holidays during School Time

Holidays during term time are not authorised, children are legally required to come to school each day.

Holidays should always be taken in the school holidays. Holidays taken in term time will be classed as unauthorised and will affect your son/daughters attendance record.

We know cheaper holiday prices are a real incentive to book holidays in term time, but we would ask you to think carefully about the repercussions.

Absence from one week means the following subjects will be missed:

Maths, English, Science, PE, Geography, History, Technology, Music, Art, ICT, Drama

The week before the holiday they may feel isolated as they are going to miss out or to be too excited to concentrate.

The week after they may feel worried as there are gaps in their learning and they don't understand the work that has been covered during their absence.

Punctuality, Attendance & Results

5 minutes late a day – means 3 lost days over a year
10 minutes late a day – means 6 lost days over a year
15 minutes late a day – means 10 lost days over a year
20 minutes late a day – means 13 lost days over a year
30 minutes late a day – means 19 lost days over a year

If your son/daughter arrives after registration has been taken they are marked as late and this will show on their attendance record.

As a school we expect all pupils to attend (unless they have been diagnosed with a medical condition or have exceptional circumstances which stop them attending school).

Poor attendance is proven to have a negative effect on your son/daughters ability to gain the highest possible marks.