## Lost learning due to poor attendance...

At Oakdene Primary Academy, we realise the importance of all children attending school every day and on time. Every day really does count! As a school, we set a minimum expectation for every child to achieve $96 \%$ for their attendance for the whole year.

Each day, our children have approximately 5 lessons when attending school. This table highlights how much valuable learning time your child could miss if they have poor attendance:

| Number of days off school a year | Percentage attendance | Number of lessons missed | Level of concern |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{0}$ days | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | Perfection |
| $\mathbf{2}$ days | $\mathbf{9 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ lessons | Excellent |
| $\mathbf{5}$ days | $\mathbf{9 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 5}$ lessons | Good |
| $\mathbf{1 0}$ days | $\mathbf{9 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 0}$ lessons | Slight concern |
| $\mathbf{2 0}$ days | $\mathbf{9 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ lessons | Concern |
| $\mathbf{3 0}$ days | $\mathbf{8 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ lessons | Significant concern |

We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Those children who are regularly absent from school and are regularly late do not achieve their full potential they do fall behind their peers!

Please support us by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn on time at 8.55 am .

Our registers close at 9:00am. If your child arrives between 9:00am and 9:25am, they will be marked as 'Late' (L). If your child arrives after 9:25am, they will be marked with an 'Unauthorised Absence' ( $U$ ) which means they are really late and do not achieve their attendance mark for the morning.

Poor punctuality can lead to your child...

- Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- Missing the beginning of vital lessons making them fall behind
- Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- Learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future
- Feeling unsettled for the rest of the school day

The table below shows just how much learning could be missed by being consistently late to school each day:

| Minutes Late Per Day | Learning Time Lost in 1 Year |
| :---: | :---: |
| 5 minutes | $31 / 2$ days |
| 10 minutes | 7 days |
| 15 minutes | $101 / 2$ days |
| 20 minutes | 14 days |
| 30 minutes | 21 days |

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