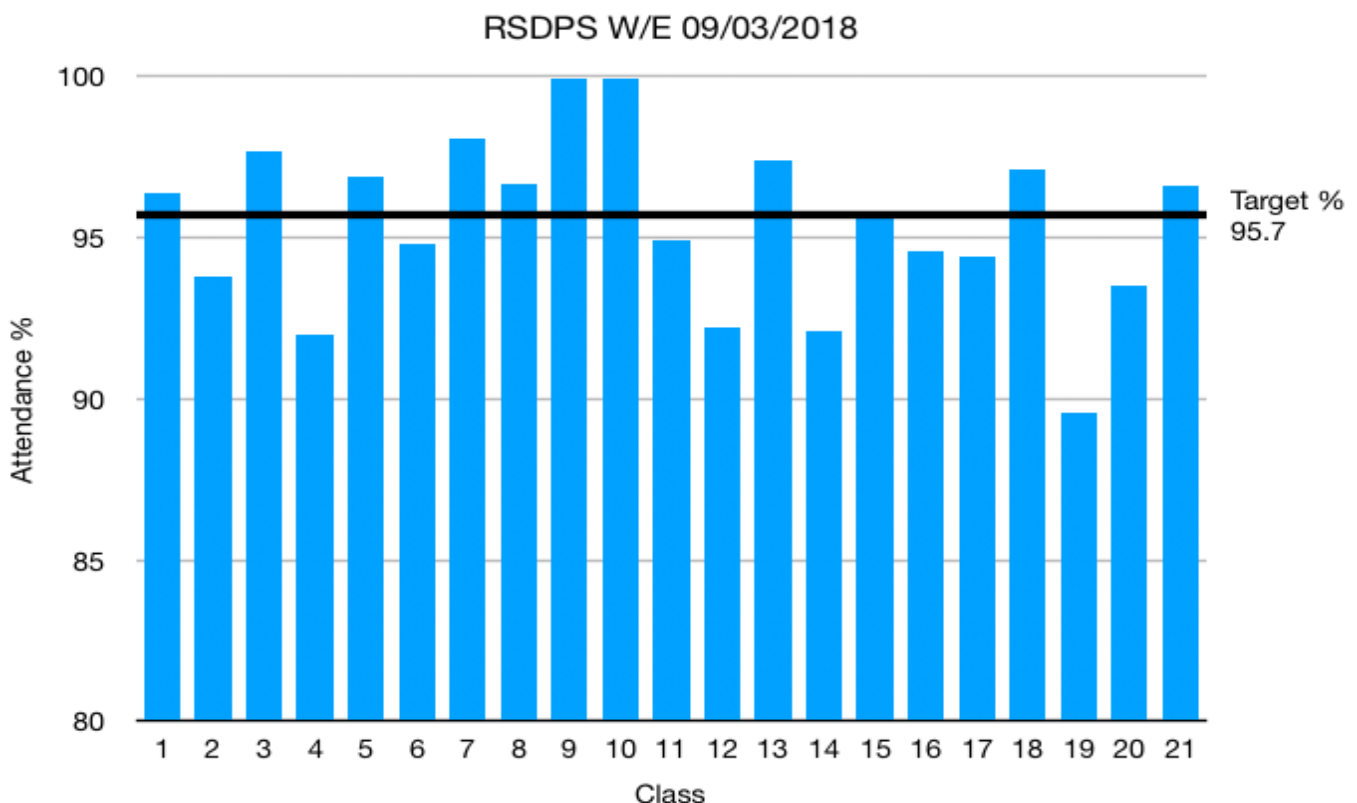




Parent Information Sheet – Friday 16th March 2018

Attendance

Our whole school target for the year is 95.7% attendance. Congratulations to Classes 9 and 10 who had 100% attendance for this week.



Attendance Counts

Good school attendance gives your child the opportunity of success and helps develop skills for life. Your child should attend school every day unless there is an unavoidable cause such as illness. Missing school damages a pupil's learning. Pupils should never miss school for reasons such as shopping or birthdays.

What should I do if my child is off school?

Telephone the school as early as possible on the first morning of their absence to give the reason. Make routine dentist and doctor appointments after school or during the school holiday. If you have to make an appointment during school time, help your child to be at school for most of the day and let the school know about the appointment.

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Every Day Counts

Regular and punctual attendance at school is essential. Home and school must work together to ensure children feel safe and secure about coming to school and know the routines clearly. The table below gives a guide to school time missed by lack of attendance.

Category	Attendance % at the end of the school year	Total number of days missed at the end of the school year
Green	100%	0
	97%	5
	96%	8
	95%	10
Amber	94%	12
	93%	14
	92%	16
	91%	18
Red	90%	19
	87%	24
	85%	28
	80%	39

Sporting Success

Congratulations to the school Netball team who participated in the Cluster Finals at Cwmbran Stadium earlier this week. They performed extremely well and finished in fifth place overall. Well done to all of the girls who participated.

School Trips

In the current economic climate, schools are facing some extremely difficult financial decisions. Budgets are being cut and this is placing significant pressure on school's to make savings. At the current time the school is losing a significant amount of money from school trips and educational visits. We do not make any money from school trips and the costs are calculated to ensure we are able to cover the costs of trips and visits only. Whilst I appreciate that all educational visits request a voluntary contribution, if we do not receive enough voluntary contributions then we will be forced to cancel some school trips.

Easter Holidays

School will close on Thursday 29th March for the Easter break. We will reopen on Monday 16th April 2018.

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