St Bart's Quick Guide To: Attendance in Nursery / Reception

"Excellent attendance is vital for children to flourish and achieve"

We expect children in our nursery to attend every session they are registered for. We are a school nursery not a childcare provider and attendance is compulsory.
We expect children to attend every day in Reception from September. In our school deciding to send your child to school is not an option, our policy is that all children attend the full week for full days regardless of when their birthday is.

This quick guide should be read with the school Attendance Quick Guide.

Times—Nursery

Morning Session: 8.30 - 8.40am

After 8.40am you will need to take your child to the main office to register them as late.

The morning session ends at 11.30am

Afternoon Session: 12.30pm—3.30pm

After 12.35pm you will need to take your child to the main office to register them late.

The afternoon session ends at 3.30pm

For those children attending full day sessions the times are 8.30am to 3.30pm.

Times – Reception

Children need to be in school between 8.30 - 8.50am

After 8.50am you will need to take your child to the main office to register them late.

The school day ends at 3.20pm.
School age applies to the age parents are legally responsible for ensuring their children come to school. It is up to schools to decide on their own attendance rules and expectations.

We follow the same procedures for absence in nursery and reception as we do for the rest of school, this could include home visits and requests for medical proof of regular illness.

The Best Start

These early years in school are very important to a child's education, they learn skills that will be the foundation of their school journey.

Being in school every day sets them up with a positive attitude and good habits for the future.

If you do not want your child to attend every day in reception or for the nursery sessions they are registered for, you may be better looking at a child minder or private nursery who allow more flexibility.

As nursery is very popular we will withdraw your child's place if you are not bringing them for their regular sessions.