



September Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back to a new school year at St Matthew's. It is lovely to see all of the children and yourselves after the summer holidays, the children seem to have grown up so much. They are all looking very smart in their uniforms. Thank you to the parents who have attended our 'meet the teacher' meetings, these are very important to help you know what is happening in school and how you can support your child.

There are quite a lot of trips and sporting events coming up this term, please keep an eye out for letters in your child's bag and emails and texts we may send.

There are quite a few changes this year but everyone has settled in very well.... Children and staff. Here are our class teachers for 2023

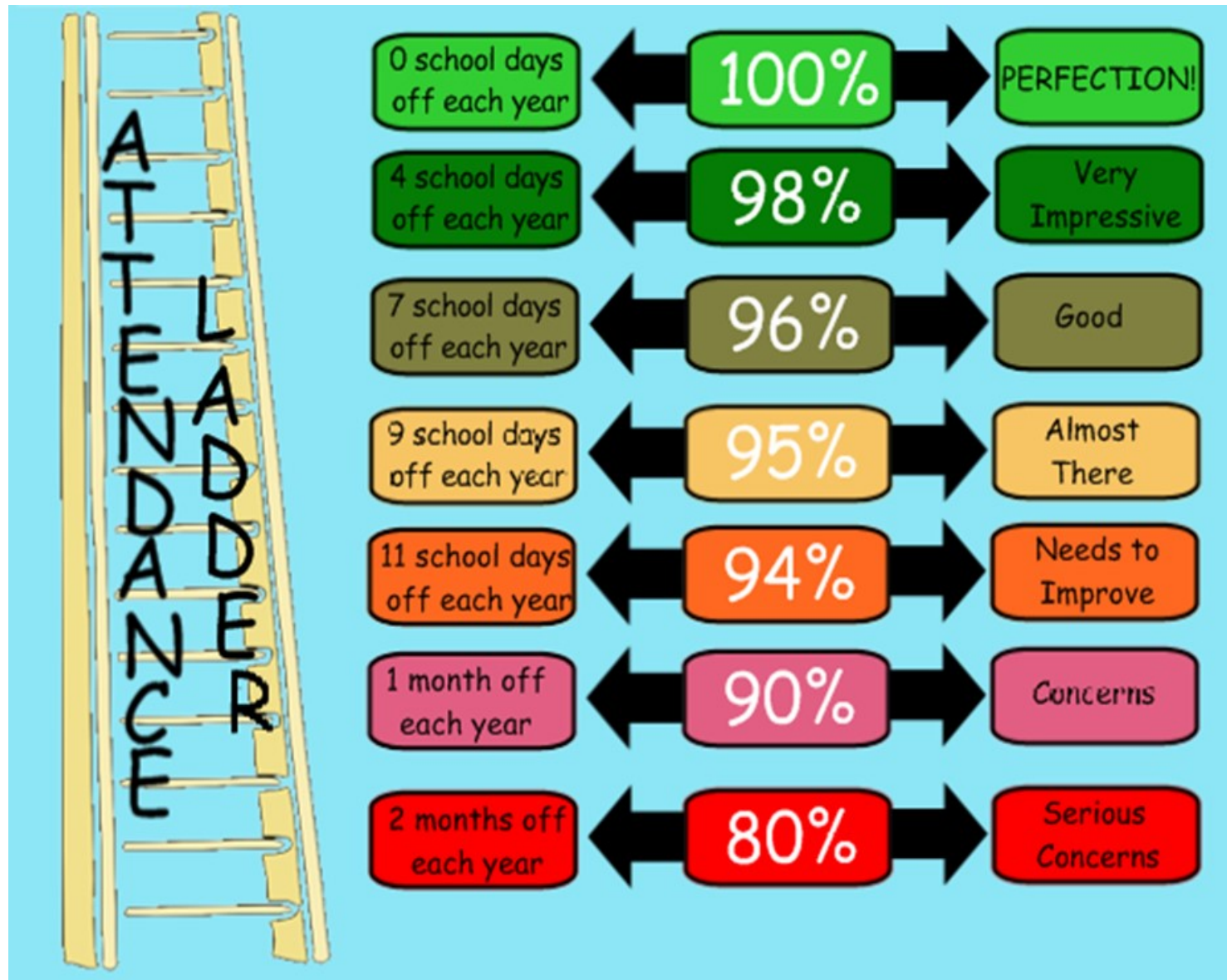
Nursery	Mrs Elliot		
Reception	Mrs Davidson	Miss Ainsworth	
Y1	Mrs Shaw	Mr Mistry	
Y2	Miss Burkmar	Miss May	Mrs Bullen
Y3	Mrs Johnson	Mrs Bradley	
Y4	Miss Foster	Mrs Cottam	
Y5	Mrs Clarkson	Mr England	
Y6	Mrs Hardingham	Miss Manly	Mrs Lightfoot

There are also familiar faces available to you all, Mrs Saunders, Mrs Boyd, Mrs Phillips, Mrs Berry and of course myself.

Miss Spain and Mrs Hughes remain the same in our office.

We hope we all have a successful autumn term and enjoy the time ahead.

Miss Worthington



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Attendance Percentage	Number of days missed	Number of lessons missed
100%	0 days	0
99%	2 days	18 lessons missed
97%	6 days (more than a week!)	54 lessons missed
95%	9 days	81 lessons missed
94%	11 days (more than 2 weeks!)	99 lessons missed
93%	13 days	117 lessons missed
92%	15 days (3 full weeks!)	135 lessons missed
91%	17 days	153 lessons missed
90%	18 days	144 lessons missed
85%	28 days (over 4 weeks!)	252 lessons missed



IMPORTANT REMINDERS



The School Day

The timings to the school day. All classrooms will be open at the start of the day from 8:40am. Every pupil **MUST** be in school ready to learn by 8:55am. If they arrive after this time they will get a late mark.



Uniform

Trousers (grey/black)

Skirts/pinafore dresses (grey/black)

Sweaters/sweatshirts/fleece/cardigans (navy blue)

Shirts/polo-necked shirts/ blouses (white)

Socks/tights (white/grey/black)

Footwear – black shoes/trainers (all black including laces, no obvious logos)



Jogging bottoms and jean style trousers are **NOT** allowed

Children should come dressed to school in school uniform everyday.

PE Kit for both boys and girls is as follows:

White polo shirt or T-shirt

Dark (navy blue, black, grey) jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts

Dark (navy blue, black, grey) sweatshirt/ fleece

Black Trainers or pumps

Please check on your child's class page to see when their P.E. days are.