

ATTENDANCE

One of our school priorities for the year is to improve our attendance. Low attendance harms progress and can make it harder for children to form and maintain relationships in class - and for the last two years our overall attendance rate has been below the government target of 95%, so we know that this is something that we need to work together to improve.

A big part of our strategy this year is to identify, promote and reward good attendance, and therefore the class with the highest attendance percentage each week gets an extra playtime. Children with 98% or higher attendance each term (equivalent to missing one day of school or less) also receive an extra reward - which this term came in the form of a trampolining session with Rising Stars.

You can see the fun that some of us had in the pictures below - and as a result most of us are now really determined to try as hard as we can to be in school as often as possible, and keep in the frame for next term's reward.



Last term's 100% attendance winners:

Nursery:

Toby & Marnie

Reception:

Ella-May, Lily,
Millie-Rose, Leo,
Charlotte & Amber

Year 1:

Madeline, Summer,
Wendy, Alfie,
Pandora & Ruby

Year 2:

Amelia, Noah, Mitchell,
Samuel, Patience, Matilda,
Jake-Davis, Elin, Millicent,
Daryll & Jacob

Year 3/4:

Kenzie, Therese, Reece,
Raiden, Missy, Mitchell,
Erik, Aziz, Zuzanna, Max,
Katy, Eldric, Sherise,
James, Skye, Evie, Hollie,
Arifah, Sophie, Jaden,
Samuel, Brooke & Zara

Year 5:

Crystal, Teegan,
Daniel, Chloe, Gabriel,
Matthew, Annie, Ethan,
Maddison, Adi, Rashed,
Daniele, & Eddy

Year 6:

Ollie, Carl, Jacob,
Victoria, Bradley-Jack,
Alexandra, George,
Jonah & Millie

Why attendance matters:

There are 175 non-school days a year
- this is what missing some of the 190 school days looks like:

100% attendance	96% attendance	90% attendance	85% attendance	80% attendance	75% Attendance
190 days of education per year	182 days of education per year	171 days of education per year	161 days of education per year	152 days of education per year	143 days of education per year
0 days absence per year	8 days absence per year	19 days absence per year	29 days absence per year	38 days absence per year	47 days absence per year
<p>Good</p> <p>A child has the best start to their schooling and has the best chance of reaching their potential and having success. Good progress is made.</p>	<p>Worrying</p> <p>Below 90% is considered persistent absenteeism and the local authority may become involved. Absence is greatly affecting progress and attainment. Children with attendance below 90% are significantly less likely to reach their expected levels.</p>		<p>Serious concern</p> <p>This has a serious impact on your child's education. They will find it extremely difficult to make progress, maintain friendships and build relationships with others. The Attendance Improvement Officer and the local authority will take action.</p>		