# **Attendance Newsletter**

# Lent Term 2025 Information



### **Attendance Information**

We would like to thank all of you for your continued support with raising attendance at our school. The target the DFE expect is 96% at present with your continued support we are above this figure with a compulsory school aged attendance of 96.2%. This is amazing and I am sure this can continue if we all work together.





## Thank you

We would like to thank all the parents who call or email the office when their child is absent. This saves the office staff a lot of time having to make phone calls and chasing up why a child is absent. Please do not send the teacher a message on dojo about a child being absent as these are not always picked up. If we do not hear from you and you do not answer our call then the Education Officer will make a visit to your home.

### Holidays/other occasions

If you are planning to take your child out of school for any other reason than a medical appointment, please ask the office for a leave of absence form. As a school we are unable to authorise holidays taken in term time and if a holiday is taken there could be a penalty notice issued. At present the fine is £80 per parent/per child.

This year so far we have had very few children taking holidays in term time which has helped with our great attendance.

#### Well done to our children

At the end of term we will give out certificates and prizes for 100% attendance. The children who had over 97% attendance also received a certificate. We know sometimes medical appointments etc cannot be taken out of school time so the children who miss very little time still deserve a reward.

The children in the class with the best attendance for the Lent term will all receive a small Easter Egg.

#### Late Arrivals

Since returning after the Christmas Break we have had 263 occasions of children arriving late in the Lent term resulting in over 73 hours of lost learning time. Please try to ensure your child arrives at school before 8.55; this is when the playground gate is locked. Arriving before this time means your child has time to take their coat, lunchbox etc and be settled in class for 9 o'clock when the register is taken and the lesson starts. It can be very upsetting for children having to walk into class when a lesson has already started especially when they miss the teacher's input and then have to struggle to catch up for the rest of the lesson.



If you are having problems getting your child to school before 8.55am please contact the school office and we will try to help in any way we can.

### Best Class Attendance for Advent Term

Week beginning	Class	<u>Attendance</u>
07/01/2025	Year 5	99.2%
13/01/2025	Year 2	98.8%
20/01/2025	Year 1	96.7%
27/01/2025	Year 2	99.6%
03/02/2025	Year 3	98.7%
10/02/2025	Year 2	96.9%
24/02/2025	Year 1	98.7%
28/02/2025	Year 2	99.2%
07/03/2025	Year 5	100%
14/03/2025	Year 2	99.2%
21/03/2025	Year 1	98.7%
28/03/2025	Year 4	97.9%

The Class with the best attendance for the Lent term is Year 2 with 98.03%



Children are back after Easter on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

Bank Holiday 5<sup>th</sup> May
Half Term 26<sup>th</sup> May -30<sup>th</sup> May
Training Day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June