



Our school attendance target is 96.2%. The overall attendance so far this year is 94.7%. Thank you to all those families who are working with us to prioritise their child's learning. We appreciate you working with us to achieve the best outcomes for your child. Well done to Beech class, which has the highest attendance this academic year at 97.1%.

Why is good attendance and punctuality important?

Education lays the vital foundations of a child's life. Regular and punctual attendance at school is key to both academic and social development, which in turn will improve the life chances of children and young people.

What does 90% attendance mean?

- 90% attendance = ½ school day missed every week!
- One school year at 90% = 4 weeks of learning missed!
- Over 5 school years = ½ school year missed!
- All children nationally whose attendance is 90% or below are considered to be persistent absentees.

CLASS PERCENTAGES

EYFS – 95.1%

YEAR 1 93.3%

YEAR 2 94.3%

ASH 95.5%

BEECH 96.7%

YEW 94.8%

Maple 91.7%

ASPEN 96.3%

BIRCH 96.5%

SYCAMORE 94.5%

ROWAN 93.7%

Term time holidays & irregular attendance

PLEASE NOTE TERM TIME HOLIDAYS ARE NOT PERMITTED!

The first time a referral is made for a Penalty Notice for term time leave or irregular attendance, the amount would be £160 per parent per child if paid within 28 days, reduced to £80 per parent per child if paid within 21 days.

The second time a referral is made for a Penalty Notice, the amount would be £160 per parent per child, with no provision for reduction.

The third time a referral is made for a Penalty Notice for term time leave or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case presented straight to Magistrates' Court.

Any legal proceedings would relate to section 444 or 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent per child, and cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parents future DBS certificate due to a 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

Rewards

To recognise that children have 100% attendance each term they can win various prizes as well as a certificate to acknowledge their achievement.

At the end of the academic year there are also larger prizes and treat days for children who end the academic year above 98% attendance.

Please don't give up if your child misses a day of school, there are lots of various prizes for the children to win.



The children must be in to win!!



DAILY ROUTINES THAT SUPPORT LEARNING

- We know that for some children, the thought of leaving home each morning can feel overwhelming. Stress and anxiety are real, and they can make mornings incredibly difficult for the whole family.
- The good news is that small, consistent actions at home can make a genuine difference. From building simple calming habits to talking openly about feelings, the support you provide at home helps your child feel more equipped to face the day.
- You do not need to have all the answers. Sometimes just listening, checking in, and letting them know it is OK to find things hard is enough.
- If stress or anxiety is affecting your child's attendance, please do not struggle in silence. Reach out to us. We are here to work alongside you and find the right support for your child and your family.

WHY COMING TO SCHOOL EVERYDAY MATTERS

- School is so much more than a place to learn.
- It is where children build friendships, discover what they are capable of, and develop the confidence and resilience that will support them throughout life. Every day really does matter.
- We know attendance is not always straightforward. Worries, pressures, and challenges at home can all make it feel difficult at times.
- Please know you do not have to figure it out alone. Talk to us. We care, and together we will find the right support for your child.

ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL

School opens at 8.15am, children should not arrive before this time.

If your child does arrive at school before 8.15am the parent/carer must remain with them to supervise and ensure they remain safe.

Children must stand on the path and NOT on the driveway – Please note vehicles are still able to drive into school until 8.15am.

Children & adults MUST wait at the school gates until a member of staff arrives at 8.15am!!

A staff member will close the main school gates at 8.15am, this is the point parents/carers may leave their children and they can walk into school.



School uniform



Children should be in full school uniform every day.

We have had a large number of children borrowing uniform on a regular basis and this could be perceived as neglect.

Please ensure your child is coming to school in full uniform. You can purchase school ties, blazers, jumpers and cardigans on the school gateway app. If you need any support with this please contact the school office.

