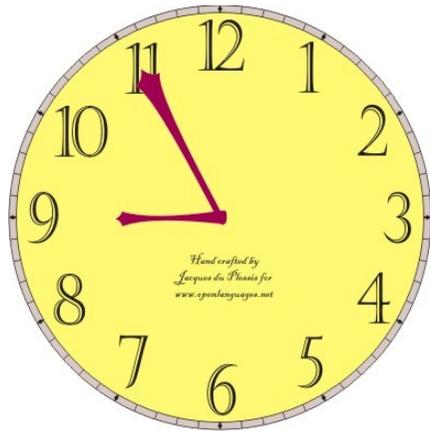


Be on time



at five to nine

Give your child the best opportunities and the best start!

Get them to school

**- ON TIME!
- EVERY DAY!**

**PUNCTUALITY
MATTERS!**



**EVERY SECOND
COUNTS!**

**Why it's so important to
get your child to school
on time....**



Punctuality Matters!



Why?

It's a great way to start the day, putting your child in a positive frame of mind to make the most of the day's learning and activities. Punctuality is linked to good attendance and good attendees have more opportunities, more support and therefore achieve more.

Also

It helps your child to make friends in the playground before school which leads to improved self-confidence.

Types of Lateness

Late before the register closes (between 9 and 9.15 am)

Although your child may only be a few minutes late, they have missed the opportunity to chat and play with friends before school. They are also likely to feel unsettled and embarrassed as they come into the classroom late.

Late after the register closes (after 9.15 am)

This counts as an unauthorised absence and will show on your child's record. Your child has missed the start of lessons and may well feel anxious and less confident because they do not understand what is going on.

Your child's lateness also disrupts the lesson for everyone else

What Can You Do To Help?

Get to know your child's school timetable and work together to make sure they have everything ready the night before (books, uniform, PE kit, snack etc).

Get your child into the habit of doing their homework in the evening instead of at the breakfast table on the morning that it is due in.

Make sure that your child has a good bedtime routine so they get plenty of sleep and don't struggle to get out of bed in the morning.

Allow plenty of time for your journey. Set off 10 minutes earlier than you have been, so that your child can start the school day punctually and calmly.

If you are unable to bring your child into school, have a back-up plan to get them here: Ask family, friends or neighbours who are taking their own children to school anyway.

If you are finding it difficult to get your child to school on time, you can talk to:

Mrs H Rowe (Attendance Officer)

Ms M Cooper (Family Support Adviser)

Being on time means not missing out