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Attendance Newsletter – Autumn 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware, attendance continues to be a huge focus for our school as we look to achieve our target of 96% for this academic year. Please find the information below a useful reminder and celebration of our attendance achievements from 4th September – 25th October 2019. We hope to share an even better attendance picture by Christmas!

Mr. Hatton

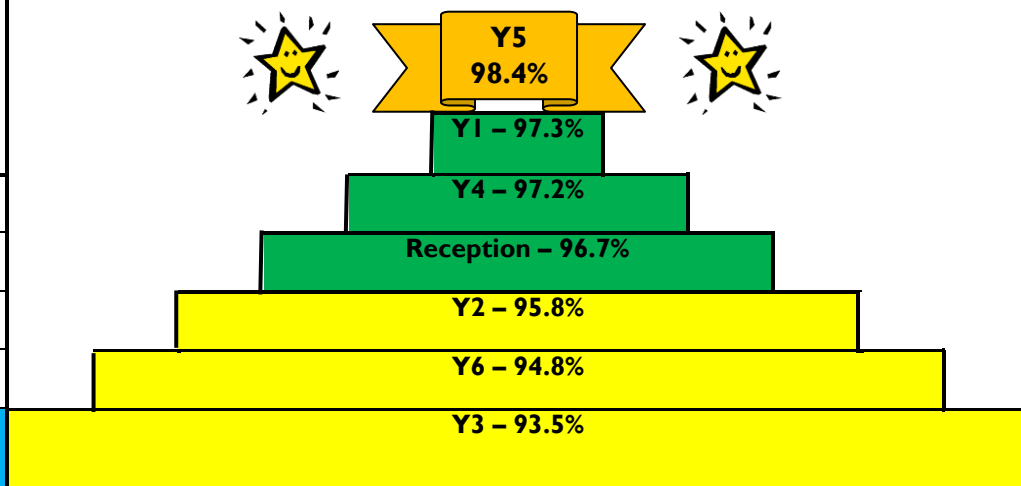
Whole School Attendance from 4th September – 25th October 2019

96.2%

This means we are currently on track to achieve our whole school target of 96%. We are off to a great start for the year but we must keep it up!

Class Attendances from 4th September – 25th October 2019

Attendance Matters Every student. Every day.	
98-100%	Excellent
96-97%	Good
93-95%	Needs to Improve
90-92%	Cause for Concern
Our attendance target is: 96%	



Well done to Year 5 for having the best overall attendance. Years 1, 4 and Reception have made an excellent start however Years 2, 6 and 3 must improve next half term!

109 pupils had 100% attendance from September – October. Amazing! Can we do even better next half term?

Our number of Persistent Absentees has decreased from 21 pupils in 2018/19 to 13 in 2019/20. We look to reduce this even further by July 2020.

Y5 had 100% attendance for two of the eight weeks last half term and received a class cake treat as a reward. Can anyone beat Y5 next half term?

Please remember that term time holidays will not be authorised for any child. We appreciate the cost benefits however it is a legal requirement that children are in school for 190 days per year. 22 pupils had a term time holiday last half term which massively effects learning and our attendance drive across the school.

Please visit our school website to access our Attendance and Punctuality Policy. Attached you will find our attendance expectations and guidance to help and support you.

Attendance Expectations/Guidance:

<p>98-100%</p> <p>Gold</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent attendance! • Accessing all learning opportunities • Rewards and incentives
<p>96-97%</p> <p>Green</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good attendance! • Very few learning opportunities missed • This is line with our target, will support your child and given them a very good chance of achieving their true potential
<p>93-95%</p> <p>Amber</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk of under achievement • Attendance is starting to fall below target which may mean that your child is at risk of not achieving their full potential • Letters outlining concern will be sent home • Some parents/ carers will be invited to Attendance Meetings
<p>90-92%</p> <p>Red</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Severe risk of under achievement • Attendance is now too low and you child's education will be suffering • Pupil is at risk of becoming a persistent absentee • Important to remember that while 90% attendance may sound high, it is actually the same as 1/2 day EVERY WEEK missed from school • Parents/ carers will be invited to Attendance Meetings
<p>89% or less</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extreme risk of under achievement • Pupil is considered to be persistently absent: they are not in school enough to make good enough progress • Meeting arranged with School Attendance Team and referral to WBC Attendance Team considered • Legal action considered