



Attendance Newsletter

At Saint Patricks we have been working hard to improve attendance and time keeping at the school.

Percentages	95%-100% Good Attendance	85%-95% Cause for concern	85% below Possible LA involvement
Percentage of children	82%	17%	1%

We have had a great Summer Term for attendance!

- ✓ Our attendance for the academic year is 97%
- ✓ The majority of our children have good or outstanding attendance which is excellent!
- ✓ Well done to all those parents who bring their children on time, everyday!
- ✓ Attendance is crucial for children to achieve their full potential, make friends and experience the school community to its full.
- ✓ A big “well done” to those children who have achieved 100% attendance for the Spring Term and for the two terms of 100% attendance. This achievement has been recognised in a whole school assembly where the children received a bronze or silver or Gold certificate. They will also be receiving a special letter home.
- ✓ Please continue to support your child in aiming to achieve 100% attendance over the rest of the year.

Good Attendance

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Good Learning

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Happy Child

Next Steps for Improvement:

- ✓ There are still some children with attendance below the acceptable rate: 1% of our children have attendance which is less than 85%
- ✓ If your child is in this category you will be contacted, as the Local Authority will consider this attendance rate as falling into the 'persistent absentee' bracket. Your child's attendance will be closely monitored in the Spring Term.
- ✓ By working together we can improve attendance and support your child on the journey through school.

Getting to School on time matters...

- ✓ It is paramount to your child's development to set good routines so that children learn good timekeeping as they get older.
- ✓ There are a number of children who frequently arrive late in school unaccompanied by an adult. It is the responsibility of all parents to sign their children into school if they are late.
- ✓ School begins at 8.45am, children should be in class at 8.45am to register.
- ✓ Parents have a duty of care to bring their children into school on time, everyday.
- ✓ Persistent lateness will be referred to the local authority.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

What's your child's Attendance? Are they missing out?

90% = missing half a day a week

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missing 100 lessons a year

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missing over a year of education in their school life

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80%= missing 1 day a week

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missing nearly 200 lessons a year

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missing over 2 years of education in their school life

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70%= missing 1.5 days a week

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missing nearly 300 lessons a year

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missing over 3 years of education in their school life.

We want the children to be happy, successful learners therefore, their attendance in school every day is important.