

Why coming to school every day matters



We know that getting children into school every day isn't always easy.

However, regular attendance plays a huge part in helping your child feel confident, happy and successful – now and in the future.

It Helps Children Learn and Achieve

When children come to school regularly, they:

- Keep up with lessons and understand their learning better.
- Feel more confident in class.
- Are more likely to do well in exams and assessments.

Even missing a small amount of school can create gaps in learning that are hard to catch up later.

It Builds Positive Habits for Life

Coming to school every day helps children develop habits they'll need as they grow up, such as:

- Being organised and on time
- Taking responsibility
- Sticking with routines

These habits are vital for secondary school and future training, jobs or college.

It Opens Up Future Opportunities

Good attendance shows that a child is reliable and committed. Strong attendance in the early years of school puts your child in a strong position for when they move up to secondary school.

It Supports Wellbeing and Confidence

Being in school regularly helps young people:

- Build friendships and feel part of the school community.
- Develop confidence and social skills.
- Access support from trusted adults like school counsellors or mentors, if they're worried or struggling.

School isn't just about learning – it's also about feeling safe, supported and valued.

It Keeps Children Safe and Engaged

School provides structure, routine and positive activities. Children who attend regularly are:

- More engaged in learning
- Less likely to feel isolated
- More likely to stay on a positive path

What the Evidence Shows

- Children with attendance of 95% or above are far more likely to succeed academically.
- Missing just one day every two weeks adds up to nearly four weeks of learning lost across a year which can severely impact achievement.

Working Together

We understand that there can be challenges. If something is making it hard for your child to attend school, please talk to us. We are here to listen and help. By working together, we can support your child to attend regularly and thrive.

Every school day matters. Together, we can help your child succeed.