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12th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

School Attendance – Important Message

As the term is now underway and as we start our first full week together it seems an appropriate time to remind you of the importance of your child having strong attendance levels and of our commitment to supporting you with this.

We recognise the importance of working with you to secure strong attendance in school for your child. Every learning session is important to their development, and when sessions are missed it can present unwelcome challenges that impact upon their learning beyond their absence. With this in mind we work with the Local Authority to improve school attendance where this is needed.

We are proud of the strong levels of attendance that the school achieves with your support – and of course this is not our achievement, it is yours, and we are grateful for all of the effort that goes into children being consistently present, on time and ready to learn with us.

You are aware, as we are, that strong attendance not only ensures your child has the best chance to achieve their academic potential it also allows children to :-

- have friendships and relationships in school that develop and flourish
- feel consistently connected and supported through their experiences in school
- access the full range of experiences and roles that being in school presents
- develop routines and a sense of responsibility that brings structure to their daily lives

As we monitor and seek to support children's attendance your child's teacher may speak with you from time to time to check in that there are no obstacles to their consistent attendance. Be assured that they are doing this with the best interests of your child and your family in mind. Of course if you are worried or concerned about your child's attendance please bring your thoughts to us – there are many ways in which we can be of support and these work best when developed together between parents, children and school.

We wish you and your family all the very best for the new academic year.

Yours sincerely

Scott Hampton
Acting Head Teacher