



Child Friendly attendance policy

Attending school



Miss school:
Miss out.

How we reward good attendance:

- Each Tuesday during assembly Mrs Davies announces which class had the best attendance last week.
- The class with the best attendance gets a star on the attendance chart.
- The class with the most stars at the end of the half term is rewarded with extra playtime.

Our school hours:

- Breakfast club opens at 08:10 and closes at 08:30.
- The school gates open for Years 3-6 at 08:40 and close at 08:50.
- The doors open for Nursery to Year 2 at 08:50 -09:00.
- School finishes for Nursery to Year 2 at 15:00 (3pm) and at 15:10 (3:10 pm) for Years 3-6.

What is attendance and why is it important?

- School attendance means coming to school.
- School attendance is important because it helps you learn new things every day and grow your skills so you can do your best in the future.
- It also means you can spend time with friends and teachers who help you learn and feel confident in a safe place.



What if our attendance is poor?

- It is ok to be ill or have an appointment which means that you cannot attend school but if you have lots of time off then you are missing out on important learning.
- If you attend school for less than 95% of the time then Mrs Davies Mrs Davies will monitor your attendance.
- Your grown-ups at home might receive a phone call or a letter to remind them of your attendance score.
- If your attendance doesn't improve then your grown ups might come in to have a chat with Mrs Davies for support.
- It is the law that you must attend school regularly.
- If you are ill or unable to attend school for a different reason then your grown ups must telephone school to let us know why you are absent.
- Miss Jenkins listens to the messages and if we haven't received a message then she will phone to find out why you're not in school. This is to make sure everyone is safe.
- The number your grown-up should ring to tell school that you are going to be absent is 01269 593398.

Does good attendance matter?

Absolutely, because you miss out on so much learning and personal development when you're not in school:

If you miss...	That equals...	Which is...	And <u>over</u> 13 years of your school life that's...
$\frac{1}{2}$ a day per week	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly $1\frac{1}{2}$ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over $2\frac{1}{2}$ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Does being on time matter?

Yes! Learning to be on time is an important skill. Being only 10 minutes late here and there add up:

If you miss just...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of your school life that's...
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly $1\frac{1}{2}$ weeks per year	Nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ year
20 mins per day	1hr 40mins per week	Over $2\frac{1}{2}$ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	$\frac{1}{2}$ a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly $1\frac{1}{2}$ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over $2\frac{1}{2}$ years

This policy was developed by the Parchu Presenoldeb council and the Lleisiau Lles council.