

FISHBURN PRIMARY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

2022 - 2023

This year we are focusing on improving attendance across our school. We know we can rely on both pupils and parents to support us in raising attendance and reaching the national attendance target of 97 %.

The partnership between home and school is key to ensuring the best possible opportunities and outcomes for our children. It is vital that we work together to ensure that this is a happy experience for all and that children leave school each day smiling.

How you can help:-

- Establish a good routine in the mornings and evenings so that your child is prepared for the school day ahead.
- Make sure your child goes to school regularly and follows the school rules.
- Arrange dental and medical appointments (where possible) outside of school hours.
- Always inform us if your child is absent due to illness.
- Talk to your child about school and take an interest in their schoolwork.

Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence 1 Week and 4 Days of Learning Missed
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence 3 Weeks and 4 Days of Learning Missed
85% Attendance	28 Days of Absence 5 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed

Make sure your child knows when bedtime is and stick to it - have a clear routine.

Set an alarm and give yourselves plenty of time to get organised and ready for the day.

Talk to your child about school expectations.

Be punctual, every minute at school counts!



We will be continually celebrating the good and exceptional attendance of both pupils and classes and have some exciting incentives to support this.

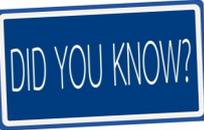
- Hosting weekly Attendance assemblies.
- Rewarding CLASS attendance.
- Presenting pupils with attendance certificates for excellent attendance (Termly).

Sometimes your child can feel mildly under the weather but they are actually well enough to attend school. If this is the case and your child deteriorates throughout the day, then you will be contacted immediately. Remember, only keep your child at home if it is necessary.

HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

- Leave of absence for holidays during term time cannot be authorised unless in exceptional circumstances.
- A leave of absence request form **MUST** be completed.
- Whilst your child is on holiday, their classmates are still learning.
- Children only attend school for 190 days out of 365 this leaves 175 days for holiday, shopping and other activities.

It has been proven that children who frequently miss school are more likely to:



- Fall behind with their schoolwork and not achieve to their full potential.
- Find it difficult to make and keep friends.
- Be unhappy at school.
- Misbehave so others do not see they are struggling with their work.
- Create a bad routine that can make it difficult to get or keep a job in the future.

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school

100%

Perfection

Equates to 2 days off school each year

99%

Excellent

Equates to 5 days off school each year

97%

Good

Equates to 10 days off school each year

95%

Slight Concern

Equates to 20 days off school each year

90%

Concerned

Equates to 30 days off school each year

85%

Very Concerned