

# Attendance

# Matters



**Don't let your education slip away! Come to school every day!**

Just like the children get given targets, so do we! Ofsted and the Government have given us an attendance target of **96%**. They want **all** children to achieve this target and it has been proven that children with attendance of 96%+ receive a better education, do better in exams, form stronger friendships and eventually get better jobs. In order to help our children achieve this target, we have revamped our attendance procedures, with lots of new incentives to encourage our children to come to school.



The class with the highest attendance each week will be awarded "Gary the Gorilla" in Celebration Assembly on a Friday.

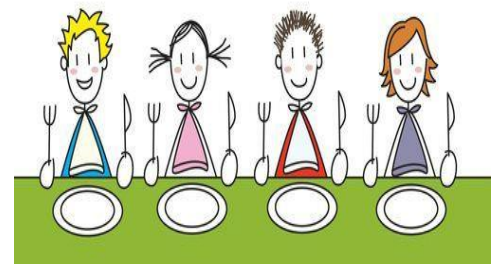
*Gary the Gorilla is never away. He comes to school every day!*



Each half term, the class with the highest overall attendance gets awarded the Attendance Trophy and earns £5 to spend on a class reward. Maybe a movie and munchies afternoon, a cooking activity or fruit and a chocolate fountain – the choice is theirs!

***"PERFECT ATTENDANCE"*** Each day that everybody in each class is in school, (100% class attendance), the class "wins" a letter! When they have all of the letters and have spelt out "PERFECT ATTENDANCE" they earn an extra 10 minutes playtime.

In Celebration Assembly each week every child who has achieved **100% attendance** will be entered into a draw. We will generate a random number and the child who is that number on the list will have a special "**Leadership Lunch**" with Mrs Vella. This will happen at the end of the half term with all of the half term winners.



Each child who achieves 100% attendance each term will receive a special certificate



Each child will receive a certificate and a gift token for 100% attendance for the whole year.

As parents, it is your **LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY** to make sure your child attends school. We need your help and support to help us achieve our 96% target. We want your child to attend school as often as they can.

**HOWEVER.....** If your child is poorly, keep them at home and help them to get better as quickly as possible.



**BUT.....** If your child is feeling a little off colour.....sniffs, snivels, bit of a sore throat, tummy ache ..... **send them to school** .....we will look after them and check on how they are feeling and can send them home if they get any worse!



Holidays, birthdays, shopping trips, day trips, feeling tired.....

**NONE** of these are reasons to not come to school!

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