## Miss school. Miss out. ATTENDANCE MATTERS



It is important to ensure that your child attends school regularly. Evidence shows that children who do so are more successful, not only in school, but in all areas of life. Catching up on missed lessons impacts on the pupil, the teacher, and other pupils in that class. Missing school means not only missing out on lessons, but also clubs, friendships, careers support, trips, and all the other opportunities that school has to offer.

## Did you know ...?

Each day of school that a child misses reduces their attendance by 0.5%, and means they miss 5 lessons. Ten whole days of school has been missed if a pupil has 95% attendance - that's 50 lessons. Twenty whole days (4 weeks) of school has been missed if a pupil's attendance is 90%.

Being 15 minutes late each day adds up to a child missing two weeks of school over the academic year.

Taking a two week holiday during term-time every year and having an average number of days off for sickness and appointments means that by the time a child leaves school at 16, they will have missed a year of school.



Pupils with more than 95% attendance have been shown to achieve GCSE results at least one grade higher. If children understand the importance of regular attendance from an early age, it helps them to maintain that attitude throughout their life.