

ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS

EVERY SINGLE DAY A CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL EQUATES TO A DAY OF LOST LEARNING?

WHY ATTEND SCHOOL?

IT IS THE LAW

Statistically more likely to achieve academically

Gain socially, improve communication and life skills

Create positive steps towards your future

Less likely to be involved in anti-social behaviour

Build positive relationships with peers and staff

DID YOU KNOW

1 day off per school year = 99.5% Attendance

10 days off per school year = 94.7% attendance

20 days off per school year = 90% attendance

90% attendance = 4 whole weeks off school

THE LAW AND YOU

The Law states (Education Act 1996, Section 7) that all children of compulsory school age must receive an appropriate full-time education. As a parent/carer you are legally responsible for making sure your child receives an effective education. Failure to ensure your child attends school regularly could lead to intervention from the Missing Education & Child Employment Service who has the power to implement the following:

£60 Penalty Notice

Prosecution

An Education Supervision Order

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

It is not a parental right to take a child on holiday during term time. If you choose to take your child out of school for an unauthorised holiday you could receive a penalty notice of £60, per parent, per child. It is only in **exceptional circumstances** that we will consider authorising your holiday of up to 10 school days. A Holiday Request Form must be completed with a letter detailing circumstances and returned to the school.

ATTENDANCE & GCSE RESULTS

100% ATTENDANCE = More than 8 A*- C Grades

90% ATTENDANCE = 6.5 Grades

>80% ATTENDANCE = Less than 5 grades

(based on national data)

WHERE CAN I SEEK SUPPORT?

At Ford End Primary School, we appreciate the obstacles and unavoidable events that affect our pupils and their families. We believe that the most effective way to ensure your child remains on track, is to work together to maximise support in their time of need. Our caring and dedicated staff are committed to making sure that your child is happy and getting the best out of their time here at Ford End Primary. We are fortunate to have formed strong links with outside agencies who can offer more specialised support if required, and of course, we are with you every step of the way.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Attendance Officer – Mrs Jacky Fereday

Mrs Cottee, Head of School – Who can be contacted via the School phone number

Give your child the best start in life – every school day