

St Andrew's C. E. Primary School Grafton Street, Kettering, Northants NN16 9DF "Love your neighbour as yourself"



**ATTENDANCE MATTERS** 

CURRENT ATTENDANCE IS 94.4%

National Average is 95%

Here to support you with attendance are; Mr Ben Arnell, Mrs Chris Parfitt, & Mrs Helen Owens

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Attendance Update – January 2024

Our attendance target is set at 97% for whole school attendance. We know that all parents want the best for their children and for them to get on well in life. Having a good education is important to ensure that they have the best opportunities in their adult life. They only get one chance at school, and your child's future may be affected by not attending school regularly.

## Late Arrival

Please could we remind all parents and carers that school starts at 8.45am each morning and we expect all children to be seated in class ready for registration promptly for 8.45am. Children who arrive after this time are marked as 'late', which is also classified as a missed session – impacting on their attendance percentage. Children who arrive late have often missed the start of the first lesson – which will <u>significantly affect their progress</u> over time. This late arrival can be very embarrassing for the child and always disrupts the teacher and the rest of the class.

If you are finding it difficult to ensure that your child attends school regularly, please speak to your class teacher or any of our Attendance Officers above. We are here to help.

If your child is 5 minutes late every day they will miss three days of learning each year.

If your child is 15 minutes late every day they will miss almost 2 weeks of learning each year.

## **Reporting Absence**

If your child is not coming to school, you must ring the school office and leave a message on the absence line before 9am.

You are expected to call in every day your child is absence unless you have specifically specified that your child is going to be off school for more than a day.

If we have not heard from you by 9.30am a telephone call will be made to the first priority contact. If we are unable to get hold of the first contact we will work a way through your contact list. If we still have not heard from you by 10am a home visit may take place.

## **CLASS ATTENDANCE**

Steven Hawking—96.7% Anne Frank—96.4% William Knibb—96.4% Cerrie Burnell—95.6% Martin Luther King—95.4% Winston Churchill—94.8% Charles Wickstead—94.3% Morey Gompertz—94.2% Steve Redgrave—93.6% Malala Yousafzai—93.6% David Attenborough—92.6% Evelyn Glennie—91.1%