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Attendance Newsletter

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**Don't be late
for school!**

Gates open at
8.30 am

Lessons start at
8.55 am

Dear Parents and Carers A big well done and thank you to everyone who has managed to attend school every day since we fully re-opened to all students in September. It has been a very challenging term and we are delighted with our how our pupils have coped with the new normal. Majority of children missed a lot of school in 2020, as we move into 2021 please ensure your child attends school every day to ensure they don't fall behind in their learning. Thank you for your continued support in helping to improve attendance and please remember if everyone attends regularly we can still reach our attendance target. Mrs Martin and Mrs Leslie.

School Attendance Figures so far this Year

Bright Blossoms	94.45%	😞
Helpful Hollies	94.00%	😞
Positive Palms	93.42%	😞
Lively Laurels	95.11%	😊
Spectacular Sycamores	93.14%	😞
Aspiring Acers	93.84%	😞
Excellent Elms	93.87%	😞
Jolly Junipers	94.78%	😞
Marvellous Maples	90.90%	😞
Awesome Oaks	95.82%	😊
Resilient Redwoods	93.40%	😞
Splendid Spruces	89.24%	😞
Wonderful Willows	91.58%	😞

Attendance target 95.00%

Current attendance 93.38%

Collectable Badges

This year we are continuing to present children who attend school every day for a whole term with a pin badge at the end of term. Come to school every day and start your badge collection!



Holidays During Term Time

Please do not book any holidays during term time. There are 190 days in a school year which leaves 175 days to spend on holidays, family time, shopping, appointments and other things. If you do require leave of absence please complete a form and discuss your plans with Mrs Leslie at Reception. **Please note if your request is declined and you still travel the Education Welfare Service are still issuing fines during the current pandemic.**

Arrive on Time

Please ensure your children arrive before our gates shut at 8.55 am. It is very disruptive and embarrassing for children walking in to their class late. Please allow enough time to get to school for 8.55 am especially if it is raining. Don't forget our gates are open at 8.30 am and hot toast is served on the playground.

100% ATTENDANCE REWARD

Unfortunately due to COVID restrictions we can't celebrate 100% attendance as we would normally like to this term. All of our pupils who attended school every day of the autumn term from September to December will be presented a certificate and badge in class. Let's hope next year we can celebrate in style, please bring your child to school every day so that they don't miss out on the next treat!



We hope you have a lovely Christmas Holiday

Term ends Thursday 17 December 2020. Return to School Tuesday 5 January 2021

Please make sure your child arrives every day by 8.55 am and in full school uniform

