

What does good attendance look like?

Every school day is a chance to learn, connect and grow.

Aim to attend every day your child is well enough.

Small amounts of absence add up across the school year.

100%

0 days missed

Every school day attended

97%

About 6 days missed

About 1 school week missed

95%

9.5 days missed

Almost 2 school weeks missed

90%

19 days missed

Almost 4 school weeks missed

90% attendance = 10% of school missed

That is the equivalent of 1 day off every fortnight.

19

days in one year

76

days across Years 3-6

247

days over 13 years

From Reception to Year 11, this is about 1.3 school years missed.

Missing 10% or more of possible school sessions is classed by the DfE as persistent absence, including authorised and unauthorised absence.

Finding attendance difficult? Please talk to us.

Illness, anxiety or other barriers can affect attendance. We will work with you to identify support. Follow medical advice when your child is unwell.

Illustration: 190 school days per year; 5 days per school week. Career example: 13 years, Reception-Year 11, at 90% attendance every year. Days shown are learning time missed, not a prediction of attainment.