

Padstow School

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Attendance Newsletter

Welcome to our Autumn Term Attendance Newsletter. At Padstow, we are committed to ensuring that each and every child in our school fulfils their potential. To help us achieve this we want all of our children to have the best possible attendance.

Our Attendance Target this year is 96.5%

Every day that your child is absent from school is an opportunity missed. Schools and parents / carers have a shared responsibility to ensure that children attend school regularly and on time.

Punctuality is also just as important as attendance. Here at Padstow, registers are taken at 8:50am so that lessons can start promptly at 9:00am. It is important that children arrive in school on time as it supports them to learn good timekeeping and also reduces classroom disruption for the other children and themselves.

It is very important to ensure your child is able to start the day calmly to ensure they don't miss vital parts of lessons as these start at 9:00am every morning. Arriving after 9:00am, a child misses the start of a lesson. Arriving after 10:00am, means a child will have missed their Read Write Inc lesson in KS1 and a complete Maths or English lesson in KS2. Children also feel embarrassed at having to enter the classroom late.

We need to work together to achieve consistently high attendance and punctuality. There are only 190 school days in a year and we want to see every child at school every day because every school day counts!

Attendance figures for each class and the school overall from 5th September 2017 to 15th December 2017 are:

Reception:	92.1%	Year 1:	97.0 %	Year 2:	94.5%
Year 3:	95.8%	Year 4:	93.6%	Year 5:	96.1%
Year 6:	96.8%				
Average School Attendance:			95.1%		

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Key Information about a child's attendance at school:

Excellent attendance and punctuality is directly linked to academic success.

Regular attendance promotes the effective learning of all students.

Regular attendance promotes wellbeing and the ability to maintain positive friendships.

Regular attendance and high levels of punctuality will assist in developing self-discipline and will help to prepare students for further education.

At Padstow we expect 96% attendance and above from all students.

At Padstow we celebrate and reward the successes of all students with good attendance and punctuality.

It is a parent's responsibility to ensure their child's regular school attendance.

The Local Education Authority has the legal right to prosecute parents who do not ensure that their children attend school.

Please read the information below to help us to achieve GOOD attendance for all children:

Ensure your child attends school every day and on time.

If your child is not well enough to attend, contact the school by 10am on the first day of absence. You should contact school EVERY day your child is absent.

Try to make dental and medical appointments outside of school time or at weekends. If this is not possible, try to make an appointment first thing in the morning or late in the afternoon so that your child doesn't miss a whole day of school.

Take family holidays during the school holiday. We are NOT able to authorise term time leave.

Contact us immediately if you need help or support with your child's attendance or punctuality.

Please visit our website: www.padstowschool.org for further information on our parents leaflet.

