

## TWO MINUTE TOOLBOX



# Attendance & Lateness

**Summer Term 2025**

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When children arrive late or miss school days, they miss crucial learning opportunities that cannot be fully recovered. Even a few minutes late can disrupt your child's morning routine and impact their entire day of learning. Late arrivals also interrupt the learning environment for other children and require teachers to pause.

Research consistently shows that regular attendance and punctuality are directly linked to:

- Higher academic achievement
- Stronger social connections with peers
- Better development of essential life skills

Every school day matters. While we understand that occasional absences due to illness or emergency situations are unavoidable, we ask that you:

- Ensure your child arrives at school before the bell goes at 08.45
- Schedule non-emergency medical appointments outside of school hours where possible
- Plan family holidays during normal school breaks
- Contact the school office in advance when your child must be absent. Please note due to Educational Welfare reviewing our attendance on a termly basis we are no longer able to authorise any holidays taken during term-time and under these circumstances any dates will be marked as unauthorised absence.

Remember that developing good attendance habits now will benefit your child throughout their academic journey and into their professional life. Your support in maintaining regular attendance is crucial to your child's success.

If you are experiencing any challenges that affect your child's attendance, please don't hesitate to contact us. We are here to support you and your children.