

Did you know that whilst children are at Westfield Primary School they:

- ❖ Make friends
- ❖ Learn and enjoy new experiences
- ❖ Keep up with school work
- ❖ Take part in trips and events
- ❖ Achieve their full potential
- ❖ Gain rewards for being in school everyday.

Why does attendance matter?

Research shows that there is a direct link between good attendance and achievement in school. Regular school attendance means that your child can make the most of all opportunities and experiences.



HOW MUCH SCHOOL HAVE YOU MISSED IN A YEAR?

99% - 2 school days missed
98% - 4 school days missed
97% - 6 school days missed
96% - 8 school days missed
95% - 10 school days missed
94% - 12 school days missed
93% - 14 school days missed
92% - 16 school days missed
91% - 18 school days missed
90% - 20 school days missed
89% - 22 school days missed
88% - 24 school days missed
87% - 26 school days missed
86% - 28 school days missed
85% - 30 school days missed
84% - 32 school days missed
83% - 34 school days missed
82% - 36 school days missed
81% - 38 school days missed
80% - 40 school days missed
70% - 12 weeks per year which is almost a whole term

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Attendance
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Article 28 - All children have the
right to a good education.



How can I help my child attend school regularly?

If your child has a worry or a problem which is stopping them coming to school - Come into school and talk about it.

They can attend with a cold, we suggest some over the counter remedies before coming to school.

Avoid medical appointments during school hours. We will need to see evidence of appointments.

Show your child that you think school is important.

Praise your child's achievements.

Take holidays in the school holidays.

Punctuality is so important and minutes of learning can add up if they are regularly late. Can you imagine how it feels walking into a lesson and not knowing what is going on?

CAN I TAKE MY CHILD OUT OF SCHOOL FOR A HOLIDAY?

The law makes it clear that schools may not grant any leave of absence during term time.

Holidays that are not authorised will be coded as unauthorised and from January 2023, will be subject to a Fixed Penalty Notice.

SCHOOL TARGETS

Our whole school attendance target is 97.5%

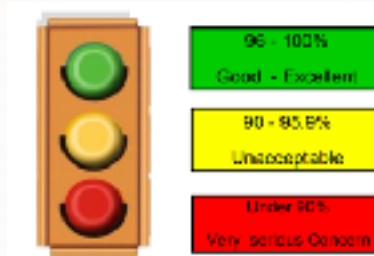
Our persistent absentees target is 5%



WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?

An attendance percentage needs to be over 96% before it can be considered good.

At Westfield, if your attendance is between 90- 96% then we will contact you and requested to attend a meeting to discuss how we can improve the attendance percentage.



EDUCATIONAL WELFARE OFFICER

The school has an Educational Welfare Officer who will look at children who have an attendance percentage lower than 90%.

Our main aim is to support families in getting their child into school therefore home visits may occur. For cases where we cannot work together then families may be subject to a Fixed Penalty Notice.

