

## Blairdardie Attendance Strategy



## Conventions on the Rights of the Child

28, Access to Education: Every child has the right to an education. Primary education should be free. Secondary and higher education should be available to every child. Children should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level possible. Discipline in schools should respect children's rights and never use violence.

## Strategy Points

- 1. Attendance Matters to all children in our care, it provides them the opportunity to grow academically and socially.
- 2. The school will meet with Attendance Officer Stephen Din, once every two weeks to discuss attendance in the school.
- 3. Children with attendance dropping below 95% will be sent letter 1-offer of support from school.
- 4. No improvement will lead to letter 2 being sent to family-family will be invited to the school to meet staff and Stephen Din.
- 5. No further improvement in attendance will lead to a home visit from Stephen Din.
- 6. At each stage we will send a letter to family when there has been improvement.

## Support from school to improve attendance

- 1. Family will complete school refuser form- to be used to develop appropriate strategies to improve attendance.
- 2. Soft start supported on a Monday and Tuesday from Linda from Barnardo's.
- 3. Referral to Zen Den.
- 4. Referral to Lego Therapy.
- 5. Referral to Play Therapy.
- 6. Referral to Reading with a Dog Therapy.
- 7. Blairdardie Blether- to support families.
- 8. Visual timetable for morning routine- to use at home.