

Riverbank Primary School and Nursery Class

R- Respect P-Play S-Safe

Many Hearts Make Our Family

Attendance Matters

1 or 2 days a week may not seem much but						
If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's			
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	nearly 1 ½ years			
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	over 2 ½ years			
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	over 5 years			
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	nearly 8 years			

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?						
If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's			
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	nearly ½ a year			
20 minutes per day	1hr 40 minutes per week	over 2 ½ weeks per year	nearly 1 year			
30 minutes per day	half a day per week	4 weeks per year	nearly 1 ½ years			
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	over 2 ½ years			

Every Day Counts

If you want your child to be successful at school then YES, attendance does matter!



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Very Good		Cause for Concern		Causing Serious Concern			
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The effect of absence on School Progress							
A whole calendar year has 365 days							
A school year has only 190 days							
This leaves:							
175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments.							
No	10 days	19 days	29 days	38 days	47 days		
absence	absence	absence	absence	absence	absence		
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%		
	Good	Cause for Concern		Serious Concern			
Best chance to succeed.		Less chance of success.		Your child will find it			
Gets your child off to a		Makes it harder for your		very difficult to make			
flying start.		child to progress. Chance of involvement		progress.			
		from Educational		May result in court action and involvement			
		Welfare Team.		from other agencies.			
	90% is the threshold set		ironi otner a	genties.			
		by the government for					
		Persistent Absence					
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