

## Impact of Absence

### ATTENDANCE FACTS

Every pupil at our school must have an attendance of 96%. When a child's absence falls below this figure it has a dramatic impact on their learning. The figures below state very clearly the effect absence has on your child's learning.

| Attendance during one school year | Equates to school days absent in one school year | Equates to school weeks absent in one school year | Equates to school lessons missed in one school year | Effect of absence on your child's learning                              |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| 95%                               | 9 days   | 2 weeks   | 40 lessons  | <b>Watch out!</b><br><b>Your child will have gaps in their learning</b> |
| 90%                               | 18 days  | 4 weeks   | 80 lessons  |   |
| 85%                               | 27 days  | 6 weeks   | 120 lessons   | <b>Danger! It will be difficult for your child to catch up.</b>         |
| 80%                               | 36 days  | 8 weeks   | 160 lessons   |   |
| 75%                               | 45 days  | 10 weeks  | 200 lessons   | <b>It will be almost impossible for your child to catch up.</b>         |
| 70%                               | 54 days  | 12 weeks  | 240 lessons   |   |
| 60%                               | 72 days  | 14 weeks  | 320 lessons   |   |

**WHEN ATTENDANCE DROPS TO BETWEEN 85% AND 90% - OVER 5 YEARS A CHILD WILL LOSE HALF OF YEAR OF SCHOOLING**

**WHEN ATTENDANCE DROPS TO 80% - OVER 5 YEARS A CHILD WILL LOSE A YEAR OF SCHOOLING**

For our pupils, every day at school is like getting a piece of a jigsaw puzzle – the more pieces they have the easier it is to see the whole picture. We plan learning opportunities that build on previous activities and understanding, therefore every day is as important as the previous day or the next day. The more time your child spends in school, the better your child's attainment will be.

*Together we learn, discover, grow and succeed.*