



## Bargarran Primary School

### Attendance Matters

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Welcome to the latest update on attendance at Bargarran Primary.

The aim of the update is to support attendance at school through sharing our attendance information, explain the potential impact absence has on a child's school experience and explain our whole school attendance procedures.

#### **Attendance Monitoring**

The latest whole school attendance monitoring of all pupils took place on 18 March. The table below shows the percentage of children in each category.

	Attendance Rate	Above 90%	Between 80% and 90%	Below 80%
September	% of children	88.2	9.5	2.3
October	% of children	85.4	11.9	2.7
December	% of children	84.5	14.6	0.9
January	% of children	87.7	11.4	0.9
March	% of children	90.1	8.6	1.3

The information gained from our most recent attendance monitoring shows a welcome increase in attendance above 90%. We now have 90% of our children with an attendance rate above 90%.

The next scheduled whole school attendance monitoring will take place in early May and hopefully this positive trend regarding attendance will continue. An update on our attendance will be provided in our next 'Attendance Matters' newsletter.

#### **Late Coming**

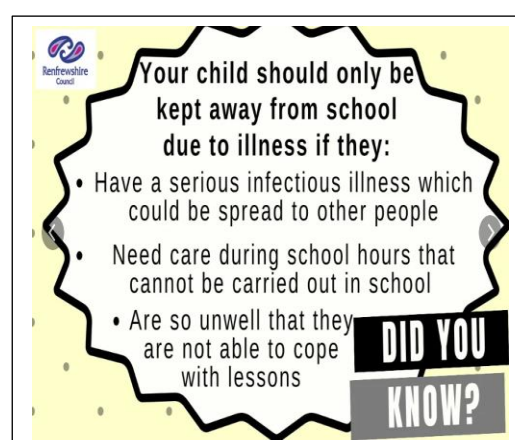
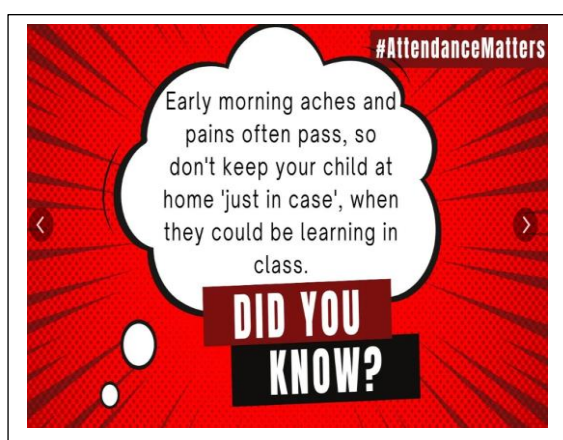
It is important that children arrive on time for the start of the school day at 9.00 a.m. Late coming can have the following negative impact:

- Late coming can affect attainment
- Late coming disrupts lessons
- Late coming can embarrass or upset children
- 10 minutes late each day adds up to 3 days of learning lost each year.

As a school we have **more than 10%** of children who have greater than five instances of late coming this session. Please support the school and your child's class by ensuring they arrive at school on time each day.

## School Attendance Procedures

Step 1	Please consider the two slides below.
Step 2	<p>On the first day of absence contact phone the school office on 0300 300 1447 to report the absence before 9.00 a.m. or e-mail <a href="mailto:bargarranenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk">bargarranenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Please do not send a message on Class Dojo or through the school web site as it may not be picked up.</p>
Step 3	Please repeat Step 2 for every day of absence unless reason for attendance requires a period of isolation.



## School Monitoring Procedures

**If at any point you are concerned about your child's attendance at school or would like support with your child's attendance at school please contact the school office.**

Attendance rates are monitored on a regular basis and the following procedures followed for attendance under 90%.

Step 1	Letter sent out informing Parent and Carer attendance is below 90% and offering support if required.
Step 2	If attendance remains below 90% a second letter will be sent out and the initial point of contact will be in touch to discuss attendance levels.
Step 3	If attendance remains below 90% a third letter will be sent out offering a meeting with HT to discuss attendance.