## **Promoting Good Attendance**

"There is a system-wide concern about reduced levels of attendance since the Covid-19 pandemic. Attendance, combined with engagement should support children and young people to make progress in their learning and have a positive impact on their educational outcomes. Progress, attainment and achievements can be impacted by any absence. Evidence suggests that attendance that falls below 90% can have a negative impact on progress."

Education Scotland - Improving Attendance: Understanding the issues report November 2023.

An average school year comprises of 190 days. What does this mean when looking at attendance percentages...?

88% Attendance
Means your child will have missed 23 days or 4.5 weeks of school

84% Attendance
Means your child will have missed 30 days or 6 weeks of school

Good attendance gives every young person the opportunity to:

- · Learn new things
- Engage in physical exercise

92% Attendance

Means your child will

3 weeks of school

have missed 15 days or

- Increase their achievement
- Build their confidence
- Develop & practise new skills
- Improve self-esteem
- Make friends and feel included
- Take responsibility for learning
- Develop skills for work
- Prepare for the world of work
- Increase their attainment
- Engage in digital learning



Article 28: Every child has the right to an education therefore measures will be taken to encourage regular attendance at schools.



We will be running a Spring Raffle during March and are looking for Parents and Carers to support us with our Prize Pot!

Do you have access to a local business that would be willing to donate a prize?

Do you work for a company who could support us?

## **School Ties**

We are looking for further support with our stock of school ties. A large number of ties have been borrowed and not returned. Can you please if you have any spare ties at home and return these to the school office.

We will also accept donations of any uniform (ties, blazers etc. which may be of use in our uniform exchange)





## **Blazer Fitting**

One of our uniform suppliers will be visited the school on Tuesday 4th June to measure pupils who wish to purchase a blazer for next session.

Details of how to book a slot at this will be issued soon.

## **National Digital Academy**

Education Scotland is exploring what a National Digital Academy might look like

It's really important that the voices and needs of young people are considered as part of this work.

They want to hear from young people in S3-S6 about:

- how they choose their subjects
- any occasions where they haven't been able to take a subject
- the ways they currently access support with their studies

Click this link to view the survey.