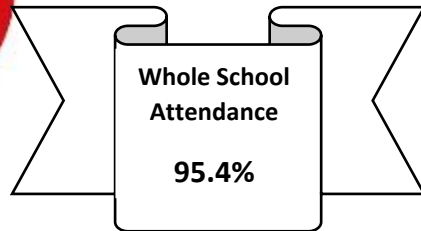




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Here to support you with attendance are...



Mrs Lee



Mrs Samways



Mrs Burgess



Miss Budden

At Springdale First School we take attendance and punctuality very seriously. We aim to have an attendance figure above the national average of 96.7%. Attendance data is tracked by the Department for Education and will adversely affect our Ofsted rating if it is below the required level. Our current attendance percentage is 95.4% and we need to improve on this figure to move it towards our school target of 97% and to certainly get closer to the national average. We categorise levels of attendance for each pupil into **red**, **amber** and **green**.

**GREEN** - 100%. Excellent attendance above the national expected average, ideally where all children should aim to be.

**AMBER** - 96.7% or above. Good attendance - in line with or above national expected average.

**RED** - Below 96.7%. Attendance below expected level. We will monitor the child's attendance and if we do not see an improvement, we will contact you by letter.

#### Regular Attendance means Punctual Attendance

Arriving on time for school is important as late arrivals are disruptive for the class and can be embarrassing for the child who is late. Children can also miss important information during registration including the plan for the day.

- ◇ Gates open at 8.30am
- ◇ School starts at 8.45am
- ◇ Arrival between 8.45am - 9.00am is recorded as late.
- ◇ Arrival after 9.00am is recorded as unauthorised.

#### Reporting an absence

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the office by 9am. 01202 692700 or via Parentmail/Email.



It is essential that your child is at school on time and ready to learn. Any unauthorised absence negatively impacts on our overall attendance figure as well as your child's attendance and achievement levels.

#### Unauthorised absence

As stated in our Attendance Policy, absence will not be authorised during term time except in exceptional circumstances. **It is very important that all parents and carers understand that children with unauthorised absences, including holidays and unexplained absence will be at risk of receiving a Fixed Penalty Notice from BCP Council.** For further information or clarification of the above, please refer to our Attendance Policy on the school website.