

Attendance News

Autumn Term (2) 2022

Attend today, achieve tomorrow



I am Mrs Simpson and I am the Assistant Head Teacher at Epina y School. One of my roles in the school is lead for Behaviour and Attendance. As part of my role, I lead the Attendance Team.

The rest of the team are:

Ronice Jopling, Multi Agency Key Worker, **Sandra Stephenson**, Head's PA, **Laura Burns** / **Emma Henderson**, Day to Day Attendance Administration / Phone Calls

If you would like to discuss your child's attendance - please do not hesitate to get in touch!

Class attendance for this term:

Class	% Attendance (Autumn Term)
Black	94.05
Blue	92.73
Brown	96.49
Gold	94.24
Green	97.13
Grey	97.96

Class	% Attendance (Autumn Term)
Lilac	96.12
Orange	92.34
Pink	94.36
Purple	93.25
Red	95.31
SENSES	96.53

Class	% Attendance (Autumn Term)
Silver	94.32
Sixth Form	91.48
White	85.60
Yellow	85.36

HEADLINES

- Whole school attendance target for the year is 94.5%
- Whole school attendance for the half term was 92.64%
- Whole school attendance for the term was 93.37%
- 117 pupils (58.2%) had attendance of over 95% (outstanding attendance) for the term
- 39 pupils (19.4%) had 100% attendance for the term

COMPETITION WINNERS!

- Well done to Isaac and Noah for their winning entries into the poster competition – fantastic work!

How is your attendance?

- Outstanding attendance = 95% or above
- Good attendance = between 90% and 94.9%
- Requires improvement attendance = between 85% and 89.9%
- Inadequate attendance = 84.9% and below

Attendance aims & priorities

- **Target:** to achieve whole school attendance of 94.5%
- **How will we achieve this?:** First day response, home visits, pastoral telephone calls home, assemblies, well done post cards, letters home, school meetings with parents / carers.
- **House reward system:** celebrating 100% attendance. Pupils achieving 100% attendance for the term will be entered into a raffle. Lucky winners receive a £50 voucher.
- **Consistency:** Attendance and pastoral teams working together to identify barriers to attendance and delivering appropriate actions and interventions to address issues.
- **Parental engagement:** continual communication with families through social media, school website, school displays, assemblies and parent events.
- **Attendance data:** half termly data analysis procedures to monitor individual and group pupil attendance. All staff receive weekly individual and class attendance information.
- **Letters:** half termly letters to parents/carers where we have attendance concerns.
- **Local Authority Attendance Team:** involvement if attendance concerns continue.

What can you do to help your child's attendance?

- It is important your child attends school as regularly as possible.
- Wherever possible, please book appointments outside the school day. If this is not possible, your child will be marked as "M" (medical appointment).
- Inform school as soon as possible if your child is going to be absent.
- If your child is unwell or absent for any other reason, please contact the school office before 9.15am on each day of absence.
- Contact your child's pastoral teacher if you feel your child is unhappy in school.
- Contact Ronice Jopling if you feel there is anything we can do to support your child's attendance.



Just SOME of the key reasons why it is so important children attend school:

- 👍 To learn
- 👍 To have fun
- 👍 To make new friends
- 👍 To experience new things
- 👍 To develop awareness of other cultures, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation & gender differences
- 👍 To achieve
- 👍 To gain qualifications
- 👍 To develop new skills
- 👍 To build confidence & self-esteem
- 👍 To have the best possible start in life

Contacting school ...

There are lots of ways of getting in touch:

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