

ATTENDANCE QUIZ

Take a look at the following reasons that have been provided for absences (middle column).

For each one decide if it is acceptable or unacceptable.



Unacceptable / Should still come to School	Reason	Acceptable / Ok to stay off school
	Illness	
	Wet uniform	
	Brother / sister is off school	
	Birthday	
	Parent is ill	
	Car / Bus broke down	
	Family holiday	
	Dentist or Doctors appointment	
	Hospital appointment	
	Pet died	
	Bullying	
	Can't be bothered / too tired	
	Haven't done homework	
	Need new clothes	

ATTENDANCE QUIZ (ANSWERS)

Come to School	Reason	Stay off School
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>e.g. Regular coughs and colds Low-level headache Stomach-ache Earrache Sore finger Broken bones (school can make alternative provision for your child under these circumstances). If your child has been directed by a medical professional to stay at home please inform school of this.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Illness</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>e.g. Chickenpox / Measles / Mumps Highly contagious illnesses Severe migraine Severe stomach pains Impetigo Vomitting Diarrhoea If in doubt parents / carers may ask for advice from either school staff or our school nurse.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Please treat the headlice at home after school / overnight. Children can return to school the following day and should not miss any time from school.</p> <p>If your child has headlice regularly please discuss this with us and we can support you.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Headlice</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>If your child's uniform is wet please allow them to wear something else for school for one day only.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wet uniform</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Brother / sister is off school</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Birthday</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Where possible we ask that you find an alternative safe person to bring your child to school.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Parent is ill</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Please find an alternative method of coming to school.</p>	<p>Car / Bus broke down</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Please avoid booking holidays during term-time.</p>	<p>Family holiday Parents / Carers must complete an absence notification form and return it to school stating dates, reason for holiday in term-time and date of return. Taking a holiday in term-time may result in legal action being taken by the Local Authority.</p>	
	<p>Dentist or Doctors appointment</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Where possible we ask that all dentist and doctor's appointments are made outside of school time. If this is not possible we ask that children attend school either side of the appointment. Please show the appointment card / letter to staff in the school office to ensure that the absence is recorded correctly.</p>
	<p>Hospital appointment</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Where possible we ask that children attend school either side of the appointment. Please show the appointment card or appointment letter to staff in the school office to ensure that the absence is recorded correctly.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>We understand that your child may be upset but they will receive appropriate support in school.</p>	<p>Pet died</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Don't let the bullies win by allowing your child to stay off school. We want to help. If your child is being bullied please speak to an adult in school.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bullying</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Please ensure that your child has an appropriate bedtime routine so that they can wake the following morning feeling refreshed and ready to learn.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Can't be bothered / too tired</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Please encourage and support your child to complete homework at the earliest possible time to avoid this situation.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Haven't done homework</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">✓</p> <p>Extended opening hours mean that a child never has to miss school to buy clothes.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Need new clothes</p>	

Thank you for taking this quiz!