



## Top Tips for Improving Attendance

- Show your child you think school is important!
- Going to school unprepared can be a major worry for children – help by checking schoolbags the night before, packing P.E. bags and keeping an eye on homework progress.
- Tired Children are not punctual and find it hard to learn, so ensure your child has a sensible bedtime.
- Help your children get into a regular routine and set the alarm at the same time every morning.
- Make time for breakfast so there are no shop stops where children can get side-tracked on the way to school.
- Children can become unsettled if they have to go into school late and without their friends – getting children to school in time to meet friends in the playground prevents this.
- Have a memory board at home for special trips or activities – the board will help your children remember to tell you and help you remember to prepare them for it.
- When your child attends school on a regular basis, they take an important step towards reaching their full potential and are given the greatest opportunity to learn new things and develop their skills.

The more time they spend around other children, whether in the classroom or as part of a school team or club, the more chance they have of making lots of friends and feeling included, boosting social skills, confidence and self-esteem.

Helping your child into good habits from an early age can help them carry through to adult and working life.

**Every day counts - Missing school is missing out!**

**Attendance Matters!**