



ENGLISH BICKNOR CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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'THROUGH GOD'S LOVE WE LEARN AND FLOURISH TOGETHER', CORINTHIANS 16:14.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS – EVERY DAY COUNTS

At English Bicknor CofE, we want every child to have the very best opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. Good attendance and punctuality are essential in helping children achieve their full potential, build friendships, and take part in all the wonderful opportunities school offers.

Following Ofsted's visit in February, they identified attendance as 'needs attention' and it remains our number one school priority.



CELEBRATING SUCCESS

We are delighted to see improvements in attendance across many year groups already this term. A huge well done to all pupils and families who have worked hard to improve attendance and establish positive routines.

We would also like to celebrate the excellent punctuality shown by many of our children. Arriving on time each day helps children settle quickly, begin learning straight away, and enjoy a calm and positive start to the school day.

Thank you to all families who consistently support their children in attending school regularly and punctually.



DOJO POINTS

Each Friday in Celebration Worship, Dojo points are awarded for:

- Improved attendance
- Excellent punctuality
- 100% attendance
- Resilience and positivity towards coming to school

BIRTHDAY NON- UNIFORM

As part of celebrating our pupils, children are welcome to wear non-uniform on their birthday. If their birthday falls on a weekend or during a holiday, they may wear their own clothes on the Friday prior to celebrate. We look forward to helping make their special day even more memorable.



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ATTENDANCE CONCERNS

Missing school can have a significant impact on learning, confidence and friendships. Every lesson matters, and small amounts of absence can quickly add up over the course of a school year.

We monitor attendance carefully and will contact families when attendance falls below 90%, as this level of absence is considered a cause for concern. We understand that there may be genuine reasons for absence, and our aim is always to work together with families to improve attendance and remove any barriers to coming to school.

Just as importantly, we will also contact families when attendance improves so that we can recognise and celebrate the positive steps being taken.



BUILDING RESILIENCE

We know that children sometimes experience minor coughs, sniffles, sore throats or colds. Developing resilience is an important life skill and helps children understand when they are well enough to continue with their normal routines.

Unless your child has a high temperature, sickness, diarrhoea, or another illness that requires them to remain at home, we encourage families to consider whether their child may still be able to attend school. Children often feel much better once they are with their friends, engaged in learning and following their usual daily routine.

If you are unsure whether your child is well enough to attend, please contact the school office for advice.



THANK YOU!

By working in partnership, we can ensure every child benefits from excellent attendance, strong routines and the very best educational opportunities. Thank you for your continued support in helping us make every day count.