

Attendance Procedures



Child is absent

Appropriate reason provided by parent/carer

No contact from parent/carer

Attendance is more than 94%:

Absence is authorised and coded accordingly

Attendance is less than 94% or PA in previous year:

Medical evidence is required to authorise.

'First Response' call made

Appropriate reason provided by parent/carer

No contact made:

Welfare checks to be made. This could include: further phone calls; a home visit or police welfare check. Absences cannot be authorised if no contact is made.

20-day Warnings:

5 unauthorised absences (10 sessions) and/or 10 lates (after 9:30am) in a rolling 10-week block.

Fixed Penalty Notices:

Can be issued for holidays and failed 20-day warnings (including lates).

Medical Evidence

If a child is unwell, we expect medical advice to be sought on the third day of absence. On the fourth day, medical evidence is required.

School will investigate irregular patterns of attendance, even if illness is reported (i.e. absence on Mondays/Fridays, same day absence regularly, birthdays, weather conditions, etc.)