

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance Newsletter

October 2019

Attendance at Fisher More -

The school recognises that pupils need to attend regularly if they are to take full advantage of the educational opportunities available to them. We, as a school, seek to maximise attendance rates both in relation to individual pupils and for the student body as a whole. The school recognises that parents/carers are primarily responsible for ensuring that children attend school but endeavours to work, in partnership with parents/carers, to support and monitor attendance and to take seriously problems which may lead to non-attendance.

Getting In Touch

At Fisher More we promote excellent attendance and request that parents/carers report each daily absence in the morning.

Q: How Do I Report My Child Absent?

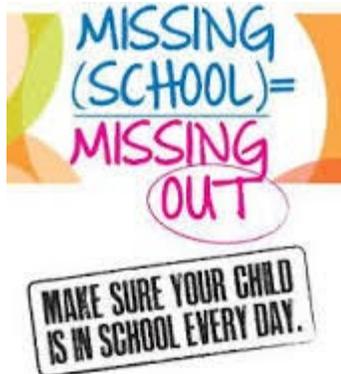
A: You can either phone, e-mail or text reply the Attendance Team. Remember to state clearly your child's form group, name and reason for absence.

Q: Who Do I Speak To Regarding Unavoidable Absences?

A: Any absence from school can be discussed with the Attendance Team, Form Tutors, Directors of Progress and Assistant Headteacher, Mr Walmsley.

*"STAY WELL
—DO WELL
AT FISHER MORE"*

Mrs Dean,
Attendance Manager



Stay Well this Autumn/Winter! It is the season of good wishes and viruses. 'coughs and sneezes spread diseases' as the saying goes. Help us to promote resilience and good hygiene with your children.

Encourage them to wash and dry their hands properly, to eat a balanced diet of good nutritious food and to stay hydrated when in school. Growing teenagers need plenty of energy. Does your child need to take a vitamin supplement?

Beat The Bugs and those Winter Blues!

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Requesting Leave

Fisher More strongly discourages taking a child out of school during term time. The Local Authority produces a standard form on which permission may be requested for absence from school to be authorised for a family holiday or extended leave. This form can be collected from Student Services. The DFE guidance states that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. Refer to our school website for further details regarding the legality of taking your child out of school during term time.

Remember to make medical appointments out of school hours and during the holiday periods. If there are unavoidable appointments please discuss this with the team.

Being Punctual

Poor punctuality is considered in the same light as poor attendance. If your child is Late twice in a week they will receive a Tutor detention. If punctuality does not improve they may be referred to the Attendance Team for support.

Did You Know?

Missing just 10 minutes of school a day is the same as missing two weeks over the year!

Punctuality at Fisher More is important for all pupils and they are expected to be at school for 8.55am. A high percentage of our pupils have excellent and good attendance so far this year. Keep up the great work!

Your Child's Attendance Matters

See the below chart for monitoring your child's attendance. We review each child's attendance for regular monitoring. If there are any concerns the Attendance Team may arrange to meet with you to discuss this further to determine how we can best support your child and improve their attendance at Fisher More.

- ⇒ *Moved house?*
- ⇒ *New mobile number?*
- ⇒ *New job?*
- ⇒ *Do you have an e-mail address?*

**REMEMBER TO
CONTACT SCHOOL
AND UPDATE YOUR
DETAILS**



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MEET THE TEAM

The Attendance Team: supporting you and your child



FM Whole School
Attendance

**4-30 September 2019
is 95.2%**

	Colour	Attendance	Punctuality
Excellent / Good	Green	>96%	< 7 <u>lates</u>
Needs improvement	Amber	92.1- 95.9%	8 -16 lates
Disappointing / Poor	Red	< 92%	> 16 lates