



Every Day Counts – Let's Reach Our 97% Attendance Goal!

At Whitley Abbey Primary School we want every child to have the very best start in life — and regular school attendance plays a huge part in that success. Our whole-school attendance target is 97% or above, and with your support, we know we can achieve it together!

When children attend school every day, they:

- Keep up with their learning and make steady progress
- Build strong friendships and confidence
- Develop great habits for life and learning
- Feel more connected to their teachers and classmates

Even missing a few days here and there can make it harder for children to catch up and feel settled, so every day really does make a difference. Of course, we understand that children are sometimes unwell, but please try to arrange appointments and holidays outside school hours whenever possible.

Holidays During Term Time

We'd like to remind families that holidays should not be taken during term time. Absences for family holidays cannot be authorised except in exceptional circumstances, and missing school for this reason can have a real impact on your child's progress and confidence. Every lesson builds on the last, and time away from class can make it harder for children to stay on track with their learning and friendships.

We know how valuable family time is — that's why we encourage everyone to make the most of school breaks for rest and holidays, so your child can return refreshed and ready to learn.

Thank you for working with us to make sure every child has the best chance to shine. Let's keep aiming high and make this our best attendance year yet!

Warm wishes,

Robbie Walker

Headteacher