

Every school day counts towards your child's future!

Days off school add up to lost learning.

Children should not be absent from school for **any** of the following reasons:

- Holidays during term time – these are unlawful
- Shopping
- Looking after family or house
- Getting up late
- Birthdays
- Looking after brothers or sisters

How Are Days of Absence Reflected in % Attendance?

10 days absence per year =	95% attendance
19 days absence per year =	90% attendance
29 days absence per year =	85% attendance
38 days absence per year =	80% attendance
47 days absence per year =	75% attendance

Children with over 90% attendance are more likely to gain 5 or more high grade GCSEs or equivalent qualifications.

Children with less than 85% attendance are unlikely to gain 5 high grade GCSEs or equivalent qualifications.

Being frequently late for school also adds up to lost learning:

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year
- Arriving 30 minutes late is the same as being absent for 19 days a year

19 days lost a year through being late = **90% attendance.**

