




# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

What was your child's class attendance looking like last week?

Attendance: week beginning 26th January			
RB	95.7%	RR	96.7%
1A	95.2%	1CP	99.0%
2P	94.3%	2TW	95.3%
3J	98.3%	3S	97.8%
4H	99.4% 	4P	95.3%
5H	96.6%	5R	98.3%
6D	94.2%	6P	94.1%

Congratulations to each class that achieved the remarkable milestone of at least **96% attendance** and for earning the coveted 'Popcorn Tokens.' A special shout-out to 4H for achieving 99.4% attendance this week - what an impressive accomplishment!

Your commitment to regular attendance contributes greatly to the positive and thriving school environment. Let's continue this fantastic momentum and strive for excellence in attendance.

Being around teachers and friends in a school or college environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

That's why school attendance is so important and why the Government is committed to tackling the issues that might cause some children to miss school unnecessarily.



## Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Pupils with higher attainment at KS2 had lower levels of absence over the key stage compared to those with lower attainment.

- Pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths in 2019 had an overall absence rate of 4.7% over the key stage, compared with 3.5% among pupils who achieved the expected standard and 2.7% among those who achieved the higher standard.
- Generally, the higher the percentage of sessions missed across the key stage at KS2, the lower the level of attainment at the end of the key stage.
- Among pupils with no missed sessions over KS2, 83.9% achieved the expected standard compared to 40.2% of pupils who were persistently absent.

Source: [The link between absence and attainment at KS2 and KS4, Academic year 2018/19 – Explore education statistics – GOV.UK \(explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk\)](https://gov.uk/explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk) Published 2022

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**Matthew 5:13-15 "You are the salt of the earth... you are the light of the world."**