



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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

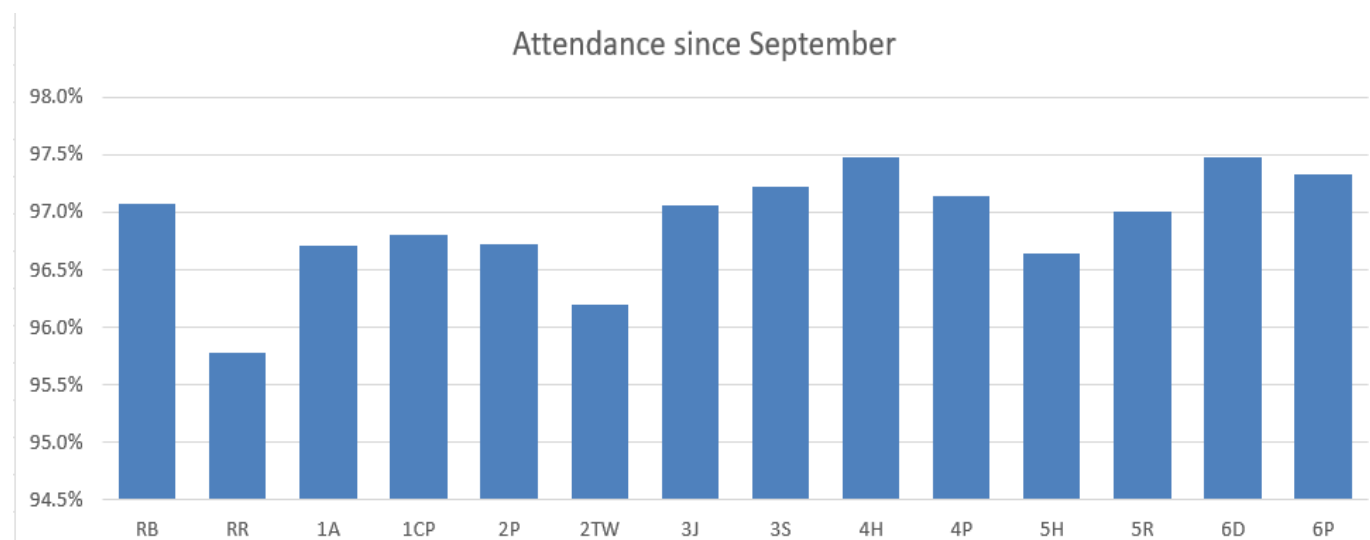
Attendance: week beginning 20th April			
RB	100% ★	RR	96.7%
1CP	97.6%	1A	99.3%
2P	94%	2TW	95.7%
3J	99.3%	3S ★	100%
4H	99%	4P	95.9%
5H	99%	5R	96.7%
6D	99.3%	6P	98.5%

RB and 3J emerged as the winners with an outstanding 100% attendance rate for last week. Their remarkable effort deserves celebrating, and as a result, they will be honoured with the attendance trophy this week to celebrate their success. Additionally, they will join every other class that achieved attendance rates exceeding 96% in collecting their 'Play ground tokens.'

School attendance matters. It is arguably one of the most important indicators of school success. You cannot learn what you are not there to learn. Students who attend school regularly improve their chances of being academically successful. The amount of schooling missed can quickly add up: students who enter school at Reception and miss an average of 10 days per year until they leave Year 6 will miss 70 days. According to the example above, this student would not have an attendance problem. However, all together that student would miss nearly an entire term of school when you add everything together. Now compare that student with another student who has a more serious attendance issue and misses an average of 25 days a year. This student will have 175 missed days or almost an entire year of school. It is no wonder that those who have attendance issues are almost always further behind academically than their peers who have satisfactory attendance.

**This is the attendance of each class since September.**

Remember, our aspiration is for all children to reach 96%+



**" Inspiring us all to create a better world "**

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