

'Attend to Achieve'

Did you know?

Our target is at least 95% attendance for every child

- 90% attendance means missing, on average, one half day EVERY week, 90% attendance means the equivalent of missing four whole weeks in one school year. And that's the equivalent to missing 100 hours of learning in lessons!

Where can I find out more?

- Phone school on 01744 678230 and ask for Mr Smith
- Look on the internet for a variety of websites:

www.dfes.gov.uk//schoolattendance

www.parentscentre.gov.uk

www.parentline.org.uk



Billinge Chapel End Primary School
& Nursery

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Your child's education is important!

Research shows that children who attend school regularly are likely to be more successful. A student who misses a day of school each week misses an equivalent of two whole years in their school life. This obviously leads to huge gaps in knowledge.

Some unacceptable reasons for absence:

- Shopping
- Birthday treats and trips
- Looking after others at home
- Non-urgent medical/dental appointments

Attendance and the Law

- As a parent/carer, you have a legal responsibility to make sure that your child gets a full time education between the ages of 5 and 16.
- If your child does not attend regularly, or is persistently late, an Education Welfare Officer may contact you to discuss the problem further.

Please inform us immediately if your child cannot attend school.

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As parents/carers, you can help.

Help your child develop a routine

In the evenings, a routine of homework, tea, watching TV, reading, getting bag ready for the following morning and plenty of sleep. In the mornings, having breakfast helps to speed up the metabolism which makes children more alert and ready for learning. Arrange a table or desk that your child can use to do homework on with plenty of light and a glass of water; the brain works better when hydrated. Take an interest - ask questions, suggest help and encourage.

Reward your child

We reward your child at school for good attendance and attainment, you could add your own rewards at home to show that we share these same values.

Thank you for your support in promoting good attendance.

