



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PRIMARY

School Attendance Parent Guide

ATTENDANCE TEAM

Head Teacher– Mrs
Groves

SENCO–Mrs Weinberg

Office Manager–Mrs
Lucas

*Please also refer to the
full attendance policy that
can be found on our
school website*

What is PA?

PA stands for 'Persistently absent'. This is when your child's attendance is below 90%.

What is risk of PA?

Risk of PA is when your child's attendance is at risk of dropping below 90%– we aim to offer early intervention support at this stage.

What is an EPN?

EPN stands for 'Education penalty notices'. EPN's are issued for unauthorised absences, this includes term time holidays.

I'll just go on holiday and pay the fine?

EPN's have now been capped nationally at TWO fines within any 3 year period. After this, other action like a parenting order or prosecution has to be considered– this could mean a fine of up to £2500!

What is an unauthorised absence?

A child being kept off school unnecessarily or without good reason. Term time holidays is not a justified reason to take your child out of school.

What happens if I keep my child off, and don't contact school?

School will call home to try and obtain a reason for absence– if no reason is provided school may carry out a visit to your home– this is to check on the welfare of you and your child.

EVERYDAY COUNTS

100% attendance	0 days missed	No learning missed!
97% attendance	5 days missed	A weeks learning missed
94% attendance	12 days missed	2 weeks and 2 days learning missed
90% attendance	19 days missed	3 weeks and 4 days learning missed
85 % attendance	30 days missed	6 weeks of learning missed
80% attendance	40 days missed	8 weeks of learning missed

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

Always on time!	No hours missed!	No learning missed!
5 minutes late each day	15 hours missed	3 days learning missed
10 minutes late every day	32 hours missed	6.5 days learning missed
20 minutes late each day	65 hours missed	13 days learning missed
30 minutes late each day	95 hours missed	19 days learning missed

90% ATTENDANCE' OR 'ONLY 5 MINUTES LATE' MAY SOUND LIKE SMALL ISSUES, BUT THE AMOUNT OF LEARNING MISSED IS HUGE! MAKE EACH DAY COUNT.

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

Absence:

- If your child is going to be absent from school- you must contact the school office before 9.30am to provide a reason for absence.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE

If your child is absent from school and is at risk of becoming persistently absent (at risk of falling below 90%) you will be required to provide medical evidence for your child's absences.

This way, we can make sure absences are authorised.



CELEBRATING ATTENDANCE

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN'S ATTENDANCE ACHIEVEMENTS IS KEY TO KEEPING OUR CHILDREN MOTIVATED AND ENGAGED. WE CELEBRATE ATTENDANCE IN SO MANY WAYS SUCH AS...
TERMLY STICKERS
PRIZES FOR CLASSES



PUNTUALITY

If your child arrives to school after registration closes your child will receive an unauthorised late mark- this effects your child's attendance. You must accompany your child to the office when arriving late.

PA / RISK OF PA

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FINES / HOLIDAYS

Holidays are in no circumstances authorised by school.

Unauthorised absence due to holidays will result in a fine being issued from Trafford Council