

ATTENDANCE = ACHIEVEMENT

"The Quarterly Attendance Newsletter from North Somercotes CE Primary School"

The link between attendance and achievement is clear. It is vitally important that your child spends as much time in school as possible. **In our school children who reach our attendance target achieve better than those who don't.** This newsletter highlights how we support and encourage good attendance and how we inform you of your child's level of attendance.

Our whole school
Attendance Target is 96%

Whole School Attendance – up to 5th February
(50% of the school year)

95.84%



Attendance Chart

1 st Place	Year 6	96.55%
2 nd Place	Year 3	96.42%
3 rd Place	Year 5	96.37%
=4 th Place	Year 4	95.86%
=4 th Place	Year 1	95.86%
6 th Place	Rec	95.63%
7 th Place	Year 2	94.46%

A huge well done to Year 6, Year 3 and Year 5 – you are the only classes reaching our whole school attendance target!

Individual Attendance Trackers

You will have received your child's Individual Attendance Tracker along with an electronic printout of their attendance. For your information the attendance codes are printed on the reverse of this newsletter. Please read this information carefully. We send this out regularly to inform all parents of current attendance levels at key milestones throughout the school year. Our Whole School Attendance Policy requires that we closely monitor children whose attendance is below 95%. **We understand the impact genuine illness can have on attendance levels and this is taken into consideration when monitoring attendance,** however when put together with an unauthorised term time holiday this can have hugely significant implications for your child's attendance. Also, in light of constructive feedback we received we have added a target – indicating the possible end of year attendance that can still be achieved.

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Attendance and Absence Codes

Code	Definition	Scenario
/	Present (am)	Pupil is present at morning registration
\	Present (pm)	Pupil is present at afternoon registration
L	Late arrival	Pupil arrives late before register has closed
B	Off-site educational activity	Pupil is at a supervised offsite educational activity approved by the school
D	Dual registered	Pupil is attending a session at another setting where they are also registered
J	Interview	Pupil has an interview with a prospective employer/educational establishment
P	Sporting activity	Pupil is participating in a supervised sporting activity approved by the school
V	Educational visit or trip	Pupil is on an educational trip/visit organised, or approved, by the school
W	Work experience	Pupil is on a work experience placement

Code	Definition	Scenario
C	Authorised leave of absence	Pupil has been granted a leave of absence due to exceptional circumstances
E	Excluded	Pupil has been excluded but no alternative provision has been made
H	Authorised holiday	Pupil has been allowed to go on a holiday due to exceptional circumstances
I	Illness	School has been notified that pupil will be absent due to illness
M	Medical/dental appointment	Pupil is at a medical or dental appointment
R	Religious observance	Pupil is taking part in a day of religious observance
S	Study leave	Year 11 pupil is on study leave during their GCSEs
T	Gypsy, Roma and Traveller absence	Pupil from a Traveller community is travelling, as agreed with the school
G	Unauthorised holiday	Pupil is on a holiday which was not approved by the school
N	Reason not provided	Pupil is absent for an unknown reason (this code should be amended when reason emerges)
O	Unauthorised absence	School is not satisfied with reason for pupil's absence
U	Arrival after registration	Pupil arrived at school after the register closed