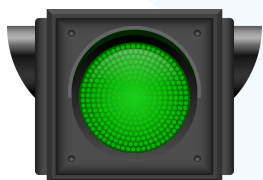


What does school do?



Gold Band 100%

Excellent attendance will be celebrated by the Head Teacher. Pupils achieving 100% attendance will be rewarded with half termly prize draws including Amazon/cinema vouchers. All pupils with 100% all year will be given a voucher at the end of the year.



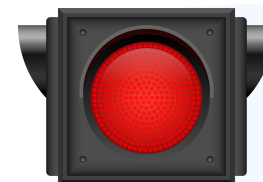
Green Band 96-99%

Good attendance will be praised by the class teacher and head of year. Pupils will be entered into half termly prize draw.



Amber Band 91% - 95%

The School Attendance Team will work with parents, carers and pupils to discuss any issues affecting attendance and offer support.



Red Band 90% and Below

The Assistant Head Teacher and Attendance Officer will work closely with the family to discuss the issues affecting attendance and offer at support. This will include home visits, attendance panel meetings and potentially involving other agencies.

How will we contact you?

The Attendance Officer will send out text messages, ring you and visit the home address if no reason for absence has been provided.

St Anthony's RC Primary School has a responsibility to monitor the attendance of all our pupils. The children will be grouped according to their level of attendance and the school will work with parents and carers to ensure all children have good attendance over at least 97%.

If your child's attendance is...

I have been in school everyday!

100%

I have missed 5 days

97.5%

I have missed 9.5 days

95%

I have missed 14 days

92.5%

I have missed 19 days

90%

I have missed 24 days

87.5%

We all want the very best for every child at St Anthony's and need your support! We want every child to be the best that they can be, achieve well and have great life chances. Attendance is crucial to that.

Days off school add up to lost learning					
175 NON SCHOOL DAYS IN A YEAR					
175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments					
190 DAYS FOR YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION EACH YEAR	10 DAYS ABSENCE 180 DAYS OF EDUCATION	19 DAYS ABSENCE 171 DAYS OF EDUCATION	29 DAYS ABSENCE (A TERM MISSED) 161 DAYS OF EDUCATION	38 DAYS ABSENCE 152 DAYS OF EDUCATION	47 DAYS ABSENCE 143 DAYS OF EDUCATION
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	
Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start		Less chance of success. Makes it harder to make progress		Not fair on your child	



Attendance Policy for Parents

One of the **most** important things you can do for your child's future is make sure they attend school and arrive on time everyday. The gates open at 8.30am and all pupils should arrive by 8.40am ready for their day to begin.

Did you know?

It is a parent/carers legal responsibility to make sure their child attends school regularly and on time.

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School,
Dunkery Road, Wythenshawe, Manchester,
M22 0NT

Phone: 0161 437 3029

Email: admin@st-anthonys.manchester.sch.uk

How can you help?

PROUD PARENT



Make sure you are up in plenty of time to get your child to school on time. Pupils arriving after 8.45am will be marked as present but receive a late mark.



The register closes at 9:00am pupils arriving after this time will be marked as late, this will not be authorised and recorded as an UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE for that school session if a satisfactory reason is not given.



If your child is unwell, please telephone the school office before 8.30am to inform and each subsequent day of absence. Please advise when they are expected to return.



Remember..

1. Medical Appointments should be made out of school time, where this is not possible an appointment card or letter must be shown to the School Office BEFORE the appointment.
2. Your child must be in school before and after the Medical appointment when appropriate.
3. Under new national rules, all schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (five days) for unauthorised reasons.

Achieving only 90% attendance over 5 years is equivalent to your child missing half a year of their entire school life!

School Contacts



Mrs P Booth
Attendance Officer



Mrs A Tipney
Assistant Headteacher/
Attendance Lead

Holiday Information

Parents do not have an automatic right to take their children out of school during term time, this must be agreed in advance with the Head Teacher. Leave of absence during term time will not be agreed if the Head Teacher does not consider there extenuating circumstances to warrant it.

You need to be aware that if you decide to take your child out of school for a holiday without agreement from the Head Teacher:

- You can receive a Penalty Notice of £80 rising to £160
- Your child may be at risk of losing their school place.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal proceedings being taken against you. Other statutory action may also be considered under the Education Act 1996, which may result in you being summoned to the Magistrate Court.

If you are found guilty you will receive a criminal record and may receive a fine of up to £2,500 and /or 3 months imprisonment.

