

If your child continues to attend for only 90% of the time that she is at Primary school, she will miss a total of 23 weeks, which is equivalent to over half a school year .

When attendance falls below 95%

If your child's attendance is below 95%, medical evidence must be provided to support the reason for absence. This includes proof of medical appointments **and** medication prescribed.

Informing the school of an absence does not automatically mean the absence will be authorised. A persistent absence history may influence the absence code.

Persistent Absence

Persistent Absence is defined as when attendance falls below 90%

Attendance Percentages

The school year is made up of 190 days.

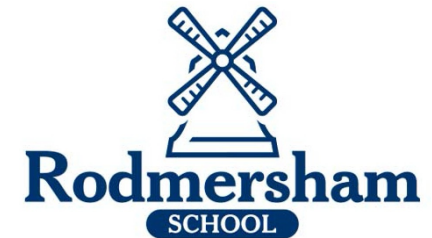
How much education has your child missed?

95%	=	10 days
90%	=	20 days
85%	=	30 days
80%	=	40 days
75%	=	50 days
70%	=	60 days

LATENESS ADDS UP!

Being 15 minutes late every day will add up to **TWO WEEKS** of school missed every year

School Attendance



Is 90%
attendance
good enough?

What does 90% attendance look like?

90% attendance means that she is absent for the equivalent of one half-day every week.

Mon		
Tues		
Wed		?
Thurs		
Fri		

Absent half a day every week!

Over a year, if your child only has 90% attendance rate means that she has missed the equivalent of four whole weeks of lessons in the school year.

100% Attendance	0 days of learning missed	Best chance of success
95% Attendance	2 weeks of learning missed	Poor attendance will impact on learning.
90% Attendance	4 weeks of learning missed	Very poor attendance. You are at risk of prosecution
85% Attendance	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks of learning missed	
80% Attendance	At least 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks of learning missed	

Unacceptable reasons for absence

- Shopping
- Birthday treats and trips
- Non-urgent medical and dental appointments
- To visit relatives they have not seen for a while
- Siblings were ill
- Parent was ill and could not bring child to school
- Went to bed late

Can we help?

If you are worried or concerned about your child's attendance, then we can help. Please contact Mrs Justine Williams, a family, liaison officer or myself for a meeting.



You can check your child's attendance using the Arbor App