

Kingsmoor Academy Attendance Newsletter April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know at Kingsmoor Academy, we place great importance on good attendance and punctuality.

We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Those children who are regularly absent from school and regularly late do not achieve their potential and do fall behind in class. Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn by 8.40am in preparation for the register to be taken at 8.50am when all children should be in school.

Attendance matters. It is important that your child gets to school on time and aims for 100% attendance.

The overall attendance so far this year for our academy is 95.1%. The national average is 94.8% so we are above national. Thank you to all those families who are working with us to prioritise your child's learning. We appreciate you working with us to achieve the best outcomes for your child. Well done to France class and 2 Egypt who have the highest class attendance at 97%, closely followed by 6 Kenya, 4 Brazil, 3 India, 3 Cuba and 2 Poland at 96%.



Authorised Absences

These are mornings or afternoons away from school for a valid reason such as illness, emergency medical or dental appointments (routine appointments should always be made out of school hours) and emergencies.

Unauthorised Absences

An absence is classified as Unauthorised if the reason was not recognised as acceptable. The Department for Education (DfE) and Local Education Authorities provide information for schools as to what is acceptable and what is not.

Examples of reasons that would not be accepted:

- A birthday
- A shopping trip
- Day trips
- Holidays - unless have been agreed as exceptional circumstances



A massive congratulations to our Reception France class who managed to achieve 100% attendance for a whole week! We are proud of all of you. Well done!

Attendance Figures for the second half of the Spring Term

Reception France: 97%
Reception Spain: 96%
1 Ghana: 92%
1 Italy: 94%
2 Egypt: 97%
2 Poland: 96%
3 Cuba: 96%
3 India: 96%
4 China: 95%
4 Brazil: 96%
5 Japan: 95%
6 Kenya: 96%
6 Australia: 95%

Promoting Attendance and Support

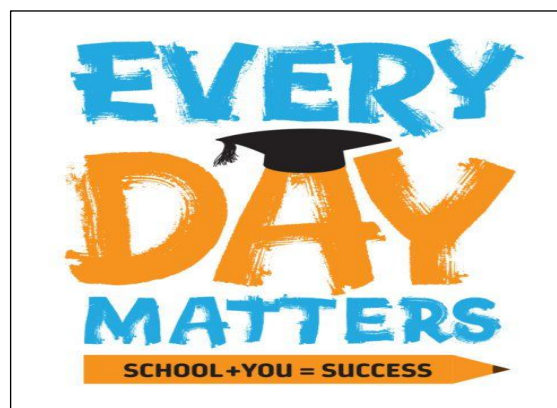
We believe that working together with parents and carers is the best way to result in positive attendance outcomes for our children.

We have lots of high-profile rewards and systems in school to promote good attendance and punctuality with the children.

Stickers are given termly in recognition of good or better attendance with certificates being awarded to those children who also achieve this over the whole year.

We also have a weekly class attendance competition with the winning class receiving rewards such as extra playtime, visits to the park or popcorn parties. The class with the highest attendance across the whole school also receives our attendance trophy.

Our Attendance Lead (Mrs Skinner) and our Attendance Officer (Mrs Winter) are happy to work with both children and families to improve attendance and punctuality. Come and talk to us if you are having problems.





This is Simon.

He was in Year 6
last year.

He had 90%
attendance at the end
of the year.

Simon's parents are really pleased and
think this is great.

But...

90% attendance =
1/2 day missed every week!

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
am	pm	am	pm		pm	am	pm	am	pm

An attendance story

1 school year at **90%** attendance =
4 whole weeks of lessons **MISSED!**

