

## Attendance News - Autumn 2

Since September, we have been working hard to improve our attendance so that every child can make the most of each day in school and we can help move the school to 'Outstanding'. Our children have responded brilliantly to the incentives we have put in place – they love to take part in our Attendance-opoly race in assembly each Friday, to see which reward they will land on. Year 5 had a great time when they visited 'The Ridge' as their reward for the best attendance during Autumn 1. Year 3 had the best attendance this half-term and will receive their reward before we break up for Christmas – well done!

Mrs Neat has also implemented 5 or 10 day challenges with certain classes or individual children to encourage them to attend school every day and on-time – these have proved really successful and the children have engaged brilliantly.

Other rewards the children have enjoyed this term are:

- Extra lunch and playtimes
- Team Work Treasures
- A trip to Bestwood Country Park
- A 'Sports Hour'
- Extra P.E. lesson
- A free item from the Tuckshop
- Free cake!



We also held the prize draw for our termly attendance vouchers this week. Every child who had 96% attendance or above, or had the most improved attendance, was entered into these draws. The winners were:

**Most improved attendance:** Cayla in Year 5

**Attendance over 96%:** Junior C in Year 5 for having over 97% attendance, and Kye and Ella-Rose Draper for both having 100% attendance this term!

A huge congratulations to everyone who won in the prize draw!

[When we return in January we press reset and all children and parents have the opportunity to be entered in the draw for the Spring Term prizes.](#)

### Attendance letters

You will have a received a letter to inform you of your child's current attendance for this term.

**Green** = 96% or above. Your child's attendance is good.

**Amber** = 95-90%. Your child's attendance needs improvement.

**Red** = Below 90%. Your child is classed as being persistently absent from school.

Please also keep an eye on our display board in the playground to see how your child's class is doing each week.



### **Reminders:**

- Please don't forget to fill out an Absence Request Form for any planned absences. We are unable to authorise ANY holidays and you may receive a fine. We will inform you as to whether the absence has been authorised or unauthorised.
- Only keep your child off school if they have a high temperature, Chicken Pox or Impetigo. If you are unsure as to whether to keep your child off school, please speak to the school office who will be happy to help.
- If you need any help or assistance with attendance or attendance concerns, please arrange a meeting to speak with Mrs Neat, our attendance officer.

Thank you for your support with attendance last term – we hope you all have a restful festive break and look forward to seeing everyone for the Spring term in January.