



Gentleshaw Primary Academy

Attendance Information

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our academy is committed to the ambition that all pupils achieve high levels of attendance. To support this aim a number of thresholds have been established to provide parents with a clear understanding of their child's termly attendance update. These thresholds will most probably be in line with those adopted by other schools in our area.

We use a colour code system to make things easier to understand.

Green: attendance is above 96% and this is what we want for all children and young people.

Amber: attendance is between 90% and 95.9%. Parents must be careful as up to four weeks' learning a year is being lost. Your child's attendance is being monitored in this category.

Red: attendance is between below 90%. Your child would now be defined as a 'Persistent Absentee' pupil by the Department for Education. Absence is now the biggest factor affecting your child's progress as at least four weeks' learning is being lost in the year. Your child's attendance is being closely monitored and if it does not improve you will be at risk of statutory action being taken.

Yours sincerely

Genevieve Saunders

Headteacher