I am pleased to share with you the attendance statistics for Spring term 1 and to celebrate the work we are doing to raise attendance levels across school. Working closely with parents and carers is an essential part of this work and I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support.

Attendance Last Term:
Whole School Attendance – **93.7%**
National Comparison – **92.2%**
Unauthorised School Absence – **2.7%**
National comparison – **2.3%**

END OF YEAR TARGET – 96.5%
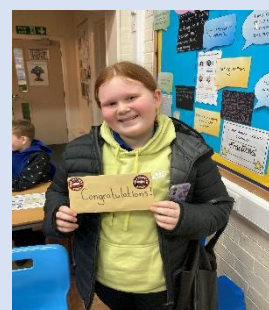
Important information:

Local Authority Comparison

Every two weeks we are able compare our attendance data against primary school across Barnsley. This is a useful tool which we can use to monitor our progress and gage the impact of the measures we are putting in place to raise attendance levels in school. Below are the most up to date figures available. As you will see we still have a high rate of unauthorised absences within school due to holidays taken within term time.

Attendance measure	Percentage	Ranking ⓘ
Overall attendance	93.7%	You are ranked 57 out of 70 schools
Overall absence	6.3%	You are ranked 58 out of 70 schools
Persistently absent	23.4%	You are ranked 66 out of 70 schools
Severely absent	0.6%	You are ranked 46 out of 70 schools
Authorised absence	3.6%	You are ranked 47 out of 70 schools
Unauthorised absence	2.7%	You are ranked 58 out of 70 schools

Rewards and incentives

This year we have implemented our new reward system for children in school which has received a fantastic response from pupils, parents and staff alike. Each half term, children with an attendance above the school's target of 96.5% are entered into a prize draw to win a £20 voucher of their choice. Our next draw will take place on Friday 23rd February. Good luck everyone!

Support available

If you would like to discuss your child's attendance in more detail or have any specific questions, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to pop into school for an informal chat.