



Attendance Matters

St Rose's Catholic Infants School

At St Rose's Catholic Infants School, we believe that good attendance is essential in order for each child to get the very best school experience and fulfil their potential.

We understand and appreciate that there are times children are absent from school because of genuine ill health and when this is the case, your child's absence will be authorised.

There may also be times that your child's absence will be unauthorised due to the reasons provided.



This visual 'Attendance Ladder' shows the link between your child's attendance and how many days off a year this equates to.

We use this ladder to help inform us with regards to action that needs to be taken and the level of concern this triggers.

Children with attendance of 90% or below are considered as persistently absent.

There can be times that your child wakes up feeling, 'under the weather', but they should still come into school. We can support them in school and often the distraction of being in school is what they need.

If your child is too unwell for school, please follow the correct procedures for reporting their absence. Please ensure this is done by 9:10am with a clear reason for their absence. You must do this every day your child is absent from school.

Please use this guide to support you:

Do I need to keep my child off school?					HSC Public Health Agency
Chicken Pox	Conjunctivitis	Diarrhoea & Vomiting	Glandular Fever	Hand, foot & mouth	Impetigo
Until all spots have crusted over	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	48 hours from last episode	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles	Mumps	Scabies	Scarlet Fever	Slapped Cheek	Whooping Cough
4 days from onset of rash	5 days from onset of swelling	Until after first treatment	24 hours after commencing antibiotics	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
	Flu	Head Lice	Threadworms	Tonsillitis	
	Until recovered	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	

A reminder that you need to try and make routine medical and dental appointments outside the school day.