

Date: June 2024



Appledore School

Attendance Matters

Here to support you with attendance are:

Mr Cooper



Mrs McMorine



Mrs Bannister



Mrs Phillips



Mrs Goldsmith-Ryan



Current
Whole School
Attendance:
95.7%

Attendance Focus

Data for June

Reception	96.4%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	92.8%
Year 3	95.7%
Year 4	93.9%
Year 5	94.7%
Year 6	96.2%

Important Changes:

On 19th August 2024, the Department for Education (DfE) are changing the statutory guidance that schools adhere to, in order maintain high levels of school attendance. One of the things we thought was most important to let parents know about are the changes in the Penalty Notices which will come into force on that date - here's a brief summary.

Penalty notices - these are issued by the Local Authority for either continuous punctuality or attendance concerns within a 10 week sliding period or for holidays which are longer than 5 days (or 10 sessions).

The guidance states that within a 3 year rolling period:

- The first penalty notice issued to a parent in respect of a particular pupil will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days. - currently £60
- Within that 3 year period, if a second penalty notice is issued to the same parent in respect of the same pupil, the penalty notice is charged at a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days (currently £60).
- If there is a further concern regarding attendance/punctuality of the same pupil within those 3 years, or a holiday is taken (longer than 5 days), the Local Authority will take alternative action instead, which could include considering prosecution, but may include other tools such as one of the other attendance legal interventions (currently £60).



Sessions are available:

Monday—Friday
7.30—9.00am

Monday—Thursday
3.30pm—6.00pm



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