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Dear Year 4 families,

Re: Year 4 Attendance – Working Together for Success

As we approach the end of the Autumn term, we would like to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of good attendance and the positive impact it has on children's learning, progress and wellbeing.

Our current Year 4 attendance is **93.96%**, which is below our school average of **96%**. We would love to work together with you to improve this and ensure that every child has the best possible opportunity to succeed.

Research shows that only **37.6% of children whose attendance falls below 95% achieve age-related expectations in Reading, Writing and Maths** by the end of their school career. This highlights just how important regular attendance is in helping children reach their full potential.

Year 4 is an important stage in children's learning, with daily teaching in English and Maths, as well as preparation for the **Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check**. Being in school every day gives children the opportunity to build on their knowledge, develop confidence and feel secure in their learning. Even occasional absences can mean missing important lessons, making it more difficult to keep up with new learning and classroom activities.

We completely understand that children can sometimes become unwell and that some absences are unavoidable. However, whenever your child is well enough to attend, we encourage them to be in school, making the most of every learning opportunity.

Let's work together towards our Year 4 attendance target!

We are introducing a little attendance challenge to celebrate our collective efforts:

If we achieve at least 96% attendance as a Year Group for three consecutive weeks (wb. 23.11.26, 30.11.26 & 7.11.26), every child will receive a FREE Tuck Shop Tuesday treat on 15.12.26.

Every child's attendance makes a difference. To help demonstrate the impact of absence:

- 1 child absent each day results in approximately 97% class attendance.
- 2 children absent each day results in approximately 94% class attendance.
- 3 children absent each day results in approximately 91% class attendance.

This shows how much of a difference each child makes and how working together can help us reach our goal!

Good attendance is about more than just being in school. It helps children develop positive routines, build friendships, grow in confidence, and feel part of their school community. Most importantly, it gives them the best opportunity to enjoy learning and achieve their potential.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Your encouragement makes a real difference, and we are grateful for your help in developing positive attendance habits.

If you have any questions, concerns or would like support with your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact Jade Hanratty, or myself. We are always happy to work with you.

Together, let's make every school day count and give our Year 4 children every opportunity to Shine Bright.

Thank you for your support.

Mr Walton-Jonas & Year 4 Team

Current School Attendance

	Year to date	Week beginning 09/11/26
Year 3	95.63%	96.44%
Year 4	93.96%	97.17%
Year 5	94.84%	95.25%
Year 6	95.5%	93.68%