

Dear Parents and Carers,

Attendance

The Education Welfare Service has informed us that Ranworth Square has one of the highest levels of persistent absenteeism in Liverpool. We have been challenged to work together with parents to improve this statistic.

The Government expect a **97%** attendance from all the children (this is approximately 6 days off school due to illness or for appointments each year).

Working together with the Education Welfare Service we have agreed to give you a copy your child's attendance each half term, so that you can see how well they are attending. In addition we will also contact parents directly by letter, if their child is at risk of falling into (or has fallen into) the category of Persistent Absence.

Once a child falls below **90%** attendance they are at risk of being classed as Persistent Absentees. When this happens we may contact you to discuss your child's reasons for absence and see if there are any ways we can support you.

Please find attached your child's attendance print out for the Spring 1st half term of 2017. From now on we will send a half termly print out of your child's attendance.

Letter Colours:

Green = 100% to 97%
Amber = 96% to 94%
Red = 94% and below.

If your child's letter is red you may be contacted this term.

Trusting you will help us to improve Ranworth's attendance.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr R Saunders (Acting Headteacher).