

DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY  
OUR LADY OF PITY ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL  
A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents,

Supporting attendance in school

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways that we can prepare your child for success, both in school and in later life. Every single day counts.

School absence will disrupt a child's learning and may affect their academic progress. It may also disrupt their friendships and affect their social and emotional development.

The Department for Education challenges schools when the attendance of any pupil falls below the expected level of 96%. Attendance below 93% would be considered unsatisfactory and attendance below 90% is classed as persistent absenteeism.

To support attendance, we have put several things into place.

- We give medicines such as Calpol in school.
- We give prescribed medicines, eye drops, antibiotics, antihistamines etc.
- We put in extra support to help children who are feeling fragile.
- We provide indoor and outdoor support at playtime.
- We can arrange meetings with the school nurse
- We are available to discuss pastoral concerns.

**We do not authorise absence for holidays.**

We do this to make it easier for children to come to school. Obviously, there will be times when an infectious pupil must stay at home, e.g. when a child has diarrhoea.

If you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing or attendance, please talk to the teacher or phone the office so that support can be arranged.

Best Wishes,

Mrs B Galloway