



Re: PS/PB 10/01/2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Late arrivals at school

It has been brought to my attention that we have a significant and growing number of pupils who are arriving late to school.

Attendance and punctuality are really important to learning and success for children in school and it is very easy to get into a habit of arriving a little late every day with your child. It is very important that pupils arrive at school early and ready for a prompt and calm start to the morning. Arriving late makes children anxious and some struggle to catch up throughout the whole day.

We place great importance on both being present in school and making the most of the time we have to learn.

Please help us to give your little one the best chance of success by ensuring that they arrive at school around 8.40am and no later than 8.55am. This is when our day begins and anything after this time will set pupils back. It takes time to put away books, reading bags, give in dinner choices etc. and it is worrying for children when they feel behind in these daily routines.

Our register is open until just after 9am but this is still late and I would urge you to make every effort to get your child to school by 8.45am. Late marks create a very negative image of our school and Ofsted take late arrival at school very seriously indeed. Please help us to show that we are committed to our children being the best they can be by arriving in good time for school.

Thank you for your help and support in addressing this highly important matter.

Best wishes,

Paul Brown

Headteacher