



# Britannia

Primary School and Nursery

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Principal: Mr K Hart

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## Attendance update - end of Autumn 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of the first half term, we just wanted to give you a few updates about attendance at Britannia. As you will be aware, attendance is a key focus for us this year and as well as being a national focus, it is also part of our School Improvement Plan for this academic year. Here are a few updates, reminders and celebrations at the end of Autumn 1:

### Comparison to national percentages:

As of Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, our school attendance stands at 95.9%. National figures are 95.8% and the local authority is at 95.7%. At this moment, 13.8% of our children are persistently absent (below 90% attendance). We currently have 320 pupils, from Reception to Year 6, who have not missed a day off school so far (that's 50.9% of the school community).

### Timings reminder:

Just a reminder that our **school gates open at 8:35am** each morning and the **doors to the school close at 8:50am** - this leaves everyone with a 15 minute window to come into school. Should your child arrive after 8:50am, they will need to go round to the main office where they will need to sign in. Please try to ensure prompt arrivals into school between that 15 minute period of time.

### Top classes:

Here are our top classes from across the school from Reception to Year 6 when it comes to attendance - well done to all these 5 classes for being above national averages:

1<sup>st</sup> - 6MB = 98.2%

2<sup>nd</sup> - 50 = 98%

3<sup>rd</sup> - 3AD = 97.8%

4<sup>th</sup> - 1JC = 97.0%

5<sup>th</sup> - 4B = 96.9%

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### Biscuit Bingo:

During Autumn 2, we are trialling a new initiative where we visit every class in the school on a Monday morning. Statistically, Mondays are our worst day for attendance so we thought that we would have a bit of fun to try and improve our numbers in school. So, every Monday we will visit each class in the school from Reception to Year 6 and a random number from 1-30 will be picked out of our special box. If it is lucky enough to be the child's number (all children will be allocated with a number) that is chosen, they will receive a biscuit made by our very own Mrs Bates.

### Hand sanitiser:

To help us through the colder winter months, we are purchasing more hand sanitiser for classrooms so that we can hopefully help stop the spread of germs. After half term, we will be encouraging our children to use sanitiser more and hopefully get them into good habits.

### Holidays:

We encourage families to try to take holidays within the 13 weeks of the year that the children are not at school. Should there be an exceptional circumstance, please fill in a yellow form from the office and the school will look at each one on a case by case basis.

Yours sincerely

Britannia attendance team

Mr Hart (Principal)  
Mr Williamson (Attendance lead)  
Miss Campbell (Sendco & DSL)  
Mrs Chapman (Family Liaison Officer)

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