

Covid 19 Related Absence

If your child is unwell with the following symptoms please do not send them to school.

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste and smell

Instead, please contact the Covid website on <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19> or call 111 for advice.

If your child has to have a Covid test please inform the school office of the test results immediately, so we can action our procedures.

Movement around school

We are all doing our bit to keep everyone safe. We are using the external routes wherever possible and we are strictly adhering to remaining in our given bubbles.

It is for this reason that we ask for **advanced notice** of any appointments your child may have. This way we can plan who is available to walk your child safely to the school entrance.

Doctors, Dental and Hospital Appointments – please try to book appointments outside of school times.

If you're unable to do so you will need to provide evidence of the medical appointment to school office so they can record it as medical on the register.

Did you know that children who have good attendance achieve much higher than children who miss at least 10 days in a year!

Did you know that child who misses one day every two weeks will miss 18 days a year!

Did you know that for every one day your child misses it puts them behind two days, socially and in their learning!

Make good attendance a life skill for your child.

THINK

Is it necessary to keep them off school?

Is there another reason for feeling poorly?

Am I setting a good example by keeping them home?

SCHOOL
Attendance



GORSE HILL SCHOOL

And Nursery

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Our school website has more information on Attendance please go to

<https://gorsehill.swindon.sch.uk/>

and see why Attendance Matters.

Dazzlers Assembly

Celebrating attendance every week.

Top 3 classes rewarded.

Attendance Monopoly played!



Does attendance REALLY matter? Should my child go to school today?

YES, attendance matters, the benefits to your child is enormous, we want every child in school, doing, playing, enquiring, thinking and absorbing all we have to offer.

Every day really DOES count.

Come on in

Headache? Have some paracetamol, drink plenty of fluids and let an adult know. We will monitor and support.

Earache? Toothache? Think about whether your child needs paracetamol and let an adult know. We will monitor and support.

Sore throat? Possible tonsillitis? Give child paracetamol and plenty to drink. We will monitor and support.

Coughs and Colds – YES – so long as your child is not suffering with one of the Covid 19 symptoms your child can attend school.

We will support by washing hands with soap and water often.

Using hand sanitiser if washing hands is not an option.

Covering our mouth and nose with a tissue when we sneeze – catch it, kill it, bin it.

Inhalers should be in school at all times.

**90%
attendance is
equivalent to a
full month off
school in a
year!**

We really don't recommend it, but if your child cannot attend school please contact the school office on 01793 523800.

Give your child the best chance of success. Who's in?

