

Punctuality

Being late for school makes it hard for your child to learn:

- ⊖ 5 minutes late each day = 3 school days learning lost each year.
- ⊖ 30 minutes late each day = half a day of school learning lost **each week**.



If your child arrives late for class:

- ⊖ They miss out on important learning which could affect their achievement.
- ⊖ They miss out on the social time when settling into class.
- ⊖ They can find it embarrassing.
- ⊖ They can cause disruption to the rest of the class.

If your child arrives after the school register is closed (9.25am) ALL THE ABOVE IS TRUE, and in addition:

- ⊖ The lateness is classed as an unauthorised absence.
- ⊖ Several unauthorised absence marks may result in legal action being taken against you.

What can you do:

- ☺ Help your child get their clothes and equipment ready before they go to bed.
- ☺ Set a reasonable bed time to make sure your child gets enough sleep. Primary school children need an average of 10-12 hours of sleep each night.
- ☺ Have a regular routine for the start of each day.
- ☺ If the weather is wet, or there are road works, leave slightly earlier.
- ☺ If you struggle to get your child to school on time each day, ask a responsible adult who you trust and can rely upon to take your child to school.
- ☺ Get your child to school on time and give them a good start to the day.



Should you require any assistance with your child's attendance or punctuality, we are here to help. Please contact the office to make an appointment with your child's class teacher.