

Make the most of it! **BE IN SCHOOL**

- 'I meet with my friends'
- 'School is the best place for me to learn'
- 'I will be safe and cared for by others'
- 'My parents will know where I am'
- 'I will grow up and be someone'

What happens if I don't come to school?

- 'I will miss out on lessons and fall behind with my work'
- 'I may feel left out at school'
- 'I risk putting myself in danger'
- 'My parents and school will find out'
- 'I will do badly in tests'
- 'This may effect my future'

Authorised Absence

- Medical/Dental Appointments
- Absent because of illness
- Religious observances

Unauthorised Absences

- Shopping Trips
- Looking after brothers or sisters
- Lateness
- Known Truancy
- Birthdays
- Parental Illness

HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME ARE ONLY AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HEADTEACHER.

Give your child the best start in life

Good attendance at school means your child learns good habits about reliability and time keeping.



Education Welfare Service

Achievement By Caring

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Services

School Attendance
School Transport
Employment of Children
Special Educational Needs
Exclusion
Grants and Benefits
Child Protection
Special School Placement
Education Other Than At School
Youth Offending

Schools

The Education Welfare Service will help schools by:

Monitoring attendance regularly;

Assisting in promoting an ethos which encourages regular attendance;

Developing an effective working relationship with school staff and pupils based on trust and co-operation;

Assist in building links with families if necessary.

Children and Young People

The Education Welfare Service will help children and young people by:

Befriending and Counselling them, giving support, advice and encouragement in order to build a trusting relationship;

Promoting a regular school attendance through monitoring, intervention and support;

Liaising with other support agencies (Special Needs, Social Services, Health) to promote the general welfare of children, actively protecting them from abuse or exploitation

Families

The Education Welfare Service will support families by:

Advising, assisting and supporting families throughout their children's school life;

Working with them to enable children to benefit from their education through regular school attendance;

Advising parents and supporting them in cases where child's behaviour could lead to exclusion, guiding them, if necessary, through the exclusion process;

Helping families gain access to appropriate agencies when professional help is required, e.g. Family Consultancy, Social Services, Special Needs;

Advising parents of their legal duties in relation to their child's education and of the prosecution process, where necessary.