



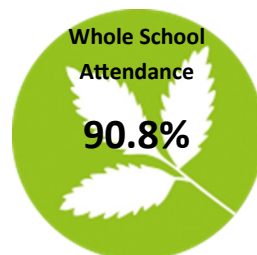
Whitmore Attendance Matters Newsletter

Spring Term 1: Week 1 — 12/01/2024

Our motto for attendance is: **IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY**

Welcome to our weekly attendance newsletter.

Our whole-school attendance this week is **90.8%** - this is significantly below the expected attendance rate in school as set by the DfE, so please ensure that your child attends school regularly unless there is a specific medical reason stopping them. Our target of **96%** remains. Please refer to the NHS guidelines which outline illnesses that children are able to attend school with (link below).



[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](https://www.nhs.uk)
(www.nhs.uk)

Remember to call the school office, or use **Studybugs** to inform us of your child's absence. If you need help installing this app, please speak to the office.



Our target continues to be 96%.

Over the coming weeks, we will be booking school based meetings with parents where their child has poor attendance. The purpose of these meetings is to improve attendance levels. Please refer to our attendance policy to learn more about these meetings.

Very well done to the classes with the best attendance this week:

Buttercup class in Reception/KS1 with **95.7%**

Ash class in KS2 with **97.2%**

The weekly winners this week can agree in their classes what they would like their extra treat to be.

What to do

Advice on childhood illnesses

- Go to school; if needed, get treatment as required
- || Some restrictions for school attendance
- Don't go to school and see the GP

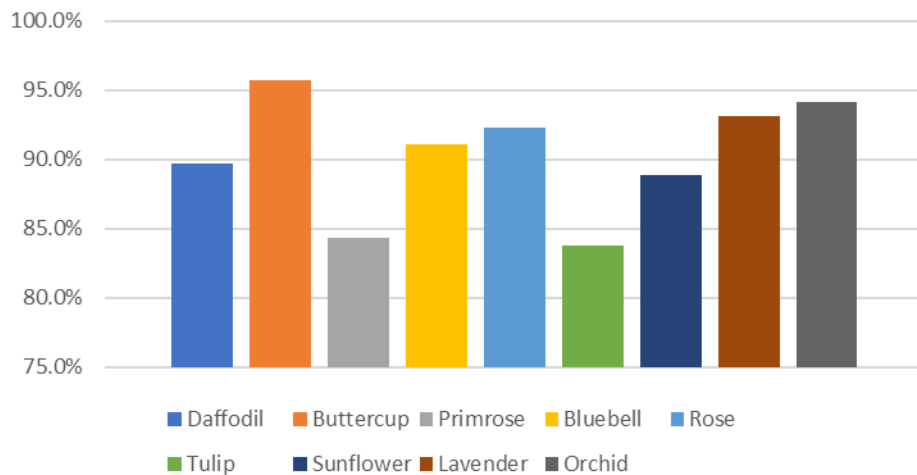
What it's called?	What it's like	Going to school	Getting treatment	More advice
Asthma flare up	Worsening of usual symptoms	➤	Follow your care plan	Stay off school if feeling too unwell
Chicken pox	Rash begins as small, red, flat spots that develop into itchy fluid-filled blisters		Pharmacy	Back to school five days after on-set of the rash, or when all lesions are crusted over
Common cold	Runny nose, sneezing, sore throat	➤➤	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene
Conjunctivitis	Tearry, red, itchy, painful eye(s)	➤➤	Pharmacy	Try not to touch eye to avoid spreading*
Flu	Fever, cough, sneezing, runny nose, headache, body aches and pain, exhaustion, sore throat		Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene*
German measles/Rubella	Fever, tiredness. Raised, red, rash that starts on the face and spreads downwards	●	GP	Back to school four days after the rash has started, if feeling well enough. Please let the school know, as pregnant members of staff may be affected.
Glandular fever	High temperature, swollen glands, sore throat; usually more painful than any before	➤➤	GP	*
Hand, foot & mouth disease	Fever, sore throat, headache, small painful blisters inside the mouth on tongue and gums (may appear on hands and feet)	➤➤	GP	Attend school while monitoring symptoms
Head lice	Itchy scalp (may be worse at night)	➤➤	Pharmacy	
Impetigo	Clusters of red bumps or blisters surrounded by area of redness	●	GP	Back to school when lesions crust or 48 hours after start of antibiotics
Measles	Fever, cough, runny nose, watery inflamed eyes, rash	●	GP	Back to school four days from on-set of rash, and if feeling well enough
Ringworm	Red ring shaped rash, may be itchy, rash may be dry and scaly or wet and crusty	➤➤	Pharmacy	
Scabies	Itching rash, commonly between fingers, wrists, elbows, arm	➤➤	GP	Back to school after first treatment
Scarlet fever	Fever, unwell, red tongue, sandpaper rash	●	GP	Exclusion period during first 24 hours of antibiotics*
Shingles	Pain, itching, or tingling along the affected nerve pathway. Blister-type rash		GP	Only stay off school if rash is weeping and cannot be covered
Sickness bug/diarrhoea	Stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea		Pharmacy	Contact GP if symptoms persist after 48 hours
Threadworms	Intense itchiness around anus	➤➤	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene
Tonsillitis/Strep throat	Intense sore throat for more than 1 day	➤➤	Pharmacy	See GP if temperature lasts more than 48 hours or cannot swallow. Only need to stay off school if feeling too unwell
Whooping cough	Violent coughing, with a 'whoop'	●	GP	Exclusion period during first five days of antibiotics
Covid				Visit www.nhs.uk for latest guidance



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Spring Term 1, Week 1. Whole school attendance for the week—90.8% (target-96%)

KS1 Attendance



KS2 Attendance

