



Attendance and punctuality is a priority here at Corbridge Church of England First School

- *Excellent attendance and punctuality is directly linked to academic and personal success.*
- *Regular attendance promotes the effective learning of all.*
- *Regular attendance promotes wellbeing and the ability to maintain positive friendships.*
- *Regular attendance and high levels of punctuality will assist in developing self-discipline and will help to prepare students for their future.*

At Corbridge Church of England First School we expect 96% attendance and above from all pupils. It is parents' responsibility to ensure their child has regular school attendance.

If your child is absent, you are required to contact the school each day of your child's absence by 9.00am stating your child's full name, class and an explanation for their absence.

Telephone: 01434 632 534

Where no information is shared relating to a child's absence, the school office will investigate the absence.

If your son/daughter's attendance falls below 85% it is of great concern to us and we have to discuss the issue with our Educational Welfare Officer. We will not be able to authorise absence under this level. If the absence is due to an illness/medical issue then we will request you obtain a medical note from a GP/ hospital.

Research suggests that children who are absent from school may never catch up on the learning they have missed. When children are absent from school, they miss not only the teaching provided on the days when they are away, but are also less prepared for the lessons that follow which build on prior knowledge and teaching.

As a parent/carer, you can demonstrate your commitment to your child's education by not allowing your child to miss school for anything other than an exceptional and unavoidable reason.