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Dear Parents/Carers,

You will be aware that we are keen to ensure that all children maintain excellent records of punctuality and attendance.

Please find enclosed your child's registration certificate showing their attendance for this academic year to date. Your child's attendance percentage is highlighted for your information.

This year our target is for every child to work towards at least 97% attendance.

Attendance below 90% is a cause for concern. Nationally, attendance below 90% is defined as persistent absenteeism.

We are available to offer support where attendance is below 95% to ensure that children do maintain positive records of attendance to ensure that their lights shine brightly from accessing the educational opportunities available.

We monitor attendance on a daily and weekly basis. Where attendance or punctuality is a cause for concern, we will make contact with families to work together to address this.

If you require any advice or support to ensure that your child is able to attend school on time every day, please make contact with Ms Colette Williamson or Mrs Elaine Robertson. Ms Williamson is our school Attendance Officer and Mrs Robertson is our school Learning Mentor.

You may arrange to meet with Ms Williamson and/or Mrs Robertson via the school office or by emailing them directly.

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Thank you for ensuring that your child attends school on time every day.

Yours sincerely,

R. Flanders Headteacher

Let Your Light Shine - Matthew 5:16 (Sermon on the Mount)

Ambition for all to enjoy life in all its fullness





























# Hoole Church of England Primary School Attendance Newsletter November 2023

### **Celebrating Attendance**

Mrs Flanders and Mrs Williamson hosted a very special tea party for children with the highest rates of attendance over the whole of the last school year. The tea party was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by all! We look forward to seeing who our attendance and punctuality stars will be this school year!







# **Golden Ticket Winners**

We celebrate attendance and punctuality in many ways at Hoole. Congratulations to our golden ticket draw winners for last half term (Autumn 1) – Jacob, Jac, Jack, Noah and Adam We hope you enjoyed your prizes!

Golden tickets are awarded each week to children who have attended school on time every day each week. We hold our grand draw half termly. The more weeks that pupils are in for the whole week, the more chances children have of being picked out in the draw.

# <u>Punctuality & Attendance Crew (PAC) Report –</u> New Certificates

Our PAC have introduced a new half termly award to celebrate excellent attendance. The PAC decided that we need to recognise children who have excellent attendance and punctuality each half term as some children may have lots of tickets in the golden ticket draw but may never be picked out as the winner. From this half term, the PAC Committee are introducing a special certificate celebrating attendance and punctuality. The certificates have been designed by the PAC Committee. We are looking forward to giving these out over coming weeks.

# Time out of school during term-time

Please continue to avoid requesting leave for holidays during term-time.

Fines for holidays during term time remain at £60 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days or £120 per parent, per child if paid before 28 days. Fines are issued by the Local Authority and money from the fines goes to Cheshire West & Chester, not to school.

We take no pleasure as a school in our families being issued with fines but we are bound by local agreements and national directives which mean we are unable to approve leave during term-time unless highly extenuating circumstances apply.

# **Attendance Cups**

Every Monday morning, we award the attendance cups to the classes with the highest attendance for the previous week. This Monday's winners were Team RJ (97.9%) and Team 6B (99.6%!)

To date, our champion classes are Team RJ, Team EI and Team 6B as they have all been awarded the weekly cup more than once. Teams RJ and EI have won it twice each. Team 6B is in the overall lead having won three times since September.