



# Brampton Primary School

## Attendance Newsletter

Building Personal Success



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If your child has:  
a high temperature  
a new, continuous cough, or  
a loss of, or change in, sense of  
smell or taste

This could be a sign of  
coronavirus

[Book a test](#)

If your child has:  
a runny nose, is sneezing or  
feeling unwell  
But they don't have:  
a high temperature  
a new, continuous cough, or  
a loss of, or change in,  
sense of smell or taste

These are  
**not normally symptoms of  
coronavirus**

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial  
111 or see your GP

**Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%.**

**Does your Year group have the best attendance for  
Autumn 2020?**

**Attendance: 4th September to 3rd December 2020**

Nursery	94%
Reception	94%
Year 1	95%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	96%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	96%

After missing 5 months of school last year it is so important that our children are in school every day this year. The teachers and classroom assistants are working very hard to ensure your children are catching up on any learning they missed last year.

As we move into 2021 each Year group will begin their targeted catch up programmes and small group interventions. Please, please ensure your child is in school every single day, so they can benefit from the excellent teaching and learning that takes place every day and the targeted support they are going to receive.

Mrs Ringwood and I want to say a massive well done to all our families who are ensuring our children are coming to school every day. As you can see from the data above, many of our year groups have attendance of over 95%, with some Year groups attendance above 96%.

Well done and keep it up!



### Tips for the Week



What can YOU do to help make your child successful all day, every day?

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**Protect your child.** The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia.

**Protect you, your family and friends.** Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable family and friends.

## Flu Spray/Injection

### Catch Up Clinics



If your child in (Reception to Year 7) has missed the Flu vaccine at school please contact the team to arrange an appointment on: **0208 214 1393** or **0208 214 1394**

If you refused the vaccination due to faith/vaccine content reason, we are now able to offer the Flu Injection which **DOES NOT** contain gelatine\*\*\*



[newham@vaccinationuk.co.uk](mailto:newham@vaccinationuk.co.uk)



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## ATTENDANCE POLICY—SUMMARY FOR PARENTS

### Good attendance is important because:

- statistics show that pupils with good attendance have higher attainment in school;
- children with attendance above 96% make better progress socially and academically; and
- children who attend regularly find their learning more satisfying and have fewer gaps in their knowledge.

### Parents:

- must ensure their child arrives at school on time for registration.
- should contact the school daily to report any absences, giving a reason and explaining when their child will return.
- should keep the school updated, and, after 5 days of absence, provide medical evidence where possible.
- should not book routine medical or dental appointments during school time—medical appointments are counted as an absence on a child's record.
- ensure their child comes to school on time everyday.

### Absence procedures:

- Parents/carers must provide a reason for a child's absence. This may be in the form of a letter, a phone call or oral explanation to the school office. Explanations by the child are not acceptable. Parents are asked to inform the school office on the first day of the child's absence and every day thereafter until the child returns.
- The only acceptable reasons for absence are illness, attendance at a medical appointment, exclusion, religious holiday or family bereavement, for which the HT has given permission. **Absences to go shopping, visit relatives, go on a holiday or because a parent is unwell are not acceptable.**

### Leave of absence during term time:

The school is not permitted to grant any leave of absence during school time unless there are really exceptional circumstances. Holidays are not regarded as exceptional circumstances. All requests for leave must be made in writing in advance by the parent to the Headteacher. Parents must complete the school's *Leave of Absence* form — both departure and return dates should be clearly stated.

### Recognition of Achievement:

Children who have 100% attendance for a term will receive special certificates. They will also be entered into a draw with the chance of winning a prize. There will be 4 prizes each term: one for each phase.

## 1 or 2 days a week may not seem much, but.....

If your child misses..	That equals...	Which is....	And over 13 years schooling that's...
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Over 8 years



# Attendance

## 04/09/2020— 04/12/2020

Class	% Attend
Antigua	92%
Barbados	95%
Cuba	94%
Egypt	95%
Cameroon	91%
Tanzania	95%
Morocco	95%
England	93%
Ireland	96%
Scotland	95%
Wales	96%
Belgium	98%
Italy	96%
Poland	93%
Spain	98%
Ghana	95%
Namibia	95%
South Africa	97%
Zimbabwe	97%
Bangladesh	95%
China	98%
India	95%
Tibet	98%
Australia	95%
Japan	97%
Madagascar	96%
New Zealand	96%
Argentina	95%
Brazil	96%
Chile	95%
Peru	97%

### School Matters!



### Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Well done to **Belgium, Spain, China & Tibet** classes who have the highest attendance of 98%.

Also, well done to **South Africa, Zimbabwe, Japan & Peru** classes whose attendance is 97%.

Great improvement **Cameroon**.

**96% and above: less than 7 absences a year and less than 30 hours of learning lost**

Excellent attendance! These young people will almost certainly get the best levels/grades they can, leading to better prospects for the future. Pupils also get into the habit of attending school which will help in the future.

**90—95%: 10 + days absence a year and over 50 hours of learning lost**

These pupils are less likely to achieve their target levels/grades and will start to find it difficult to maintain a habit of attending school regularly. Pupils who take a 2-week holiday every year can only achieve 95% attendance.

**90% and below: 19 days absence a year and over 95 hours of learning lost**

The government classifies pupils in this group as *persistent absentees*, and it will be almost impossible to keep up with their work and achieve their target levels/grades.

#### Term time leave:

Changes in the law mean that the headteacher no longer has the discretion to allow pupils to take term time leave.

If you take your child out of school for any reason, you may receive **a fine of £60 per child per parent** if paid within **21 days**. **If this fine were not paid within the time limit, the penalty would rise to £120 and need to be paid within 28 days.** This means that each parent will be fined £60 for each child.

The government monitors **school attendance and punctuality**. They look at persistent absence and lateness. If your child has attendance of 90% or less they are deemed persistent absentees and we are asked to follow this up and refer to the local authority who could take you to court. At court, the penalty is either a very large fine of up to £2,500 or imprisonment.

Please avoid keeping your child off school unless they are very sick and certainly do not take them out of school when the school is open. Please wait until the holidays.