

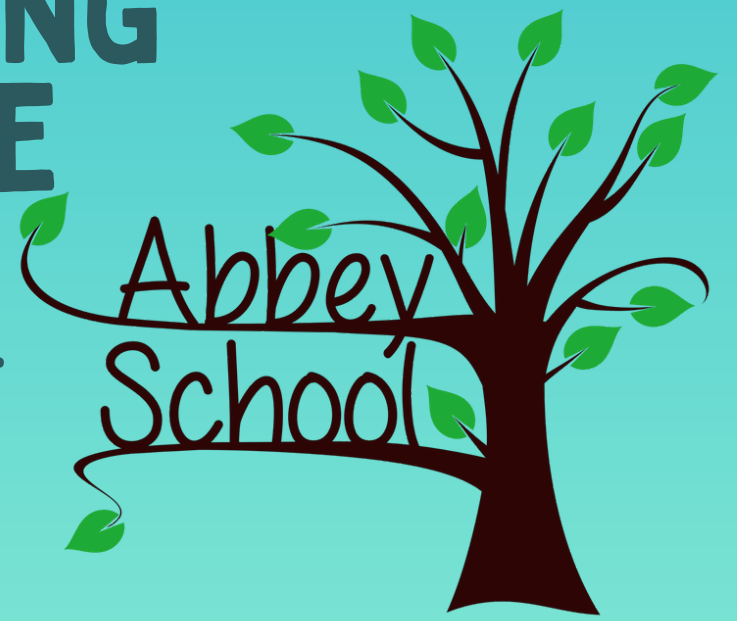


**MAKING SCHOOL  
UNMISSABLE  
AT  
#TEAMABBHEY**



# OUR VISION FOR MAKING SCHOOL UNMISSABLE

WE BELIEVE SCHOOL SHOULD BE A PLACE CHILDREN WANT TO BE, NOT JUST HAVE TO BE. HERE'S HOW WE MAKE THAT HAPPEN:



## BELONGING & WELLBEING

Pupils feel safe, valued, and listened to.  
**Strong positive relationships with staff and peers.**  
A culture of kindness, respect, and wellbeing.

## REAL-LIFE LEARNING & PROGRESS

Lessons connect to real-world experiences and career aspirations.  
**Every child sees their progress and knows it matters.**  
Laughter, creativity, and curiosity are part of every day

## FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Families are partners in attendance — supported, not judged.  
We use DfE toolkits and early intervention strategies to remove barriers.  
Our Team Breakfast, home visits, and personalised support help every child start the day ready to learn.

## WHAT RESEARCH HAVE WE USED?

Working Together to Improve School Attendance" (Statutory Guidance, August 2024)

Why School Attendance Matters (DfE's Education Hub, Aug 2025)

DfE Attendance Campaign – Moments Matter, Attendance Counts

## CONNECTION & ROUTINE

School is part of a child's daily rhythm, offering stability and purpose.  
**House events, mascots, and team spirit build identity and pride.**  
Pupils are part of something bigger — a community that celebrates them

## MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS

Inspired by the DfE campaign, we **celebrate the joyful, life-changing moments that happen in school** — from making a best friend to discovering a new passion.

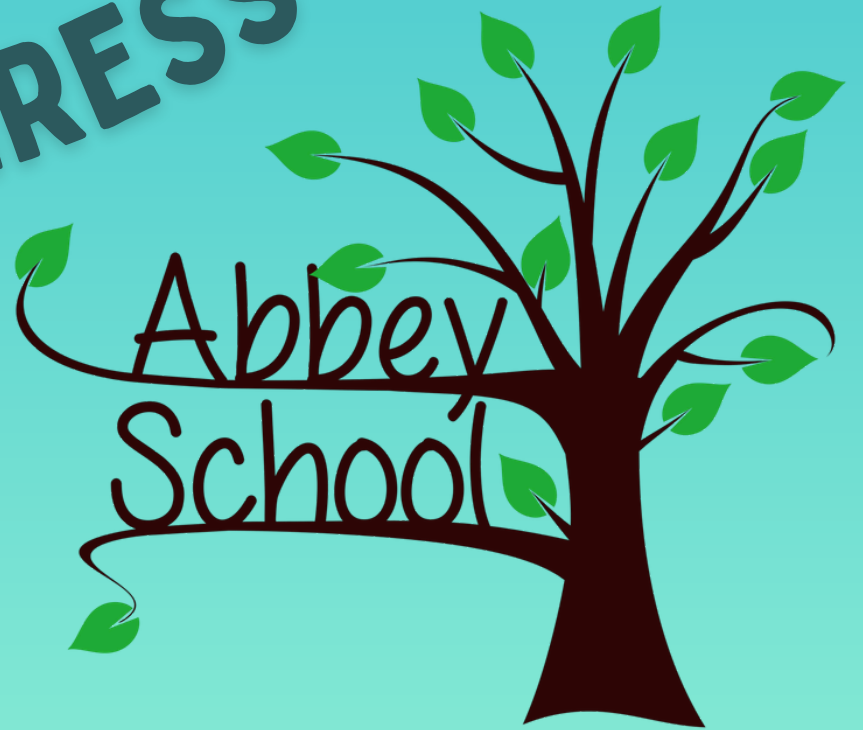
## WHAT WE ARE DOING:

Using daily attendance data to spot patterns early  
Building a whole-school culture that promotes attendance  
Access to a dedicated attendance and wellbeing team

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# MAKING SCHOOL UNMISSABLE ATTENDANCE = PROGRESS

WE HAVE LOOKED AT THE PROGRESS OUR PUPILS MADE LAST YEAR AND THEIR ATTENDANCE AND THIS IS WHAT WE FOUND



## ATTENDANCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

Did you know specific Functional Skills, BTEC and GCSE content is taught from the end of year 9?

This means if your child has not been attending school they will not have the subject knowledge to met the qualification testing requirement

## WHATS THE PATTERN?

The pattern here is that children who attend the most learn the most.

## DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THE FIRST MONTH?

Absenteeism in the first month of school can predict poor attendance throughout the school year.

## ACHIEVING TARGETS

Did you know that children who are in school **97%** of the time achieve **all** their targets.

Did you know that children who are in school **95%** of the time achieve **88%** of their targets.

Did you know that children who are in school **90%** of their time achieve **76%** of their targets.

## 95% ATTENDANCE MEANS...

95% attendance across the school year means your child has not been in school for 9 days!

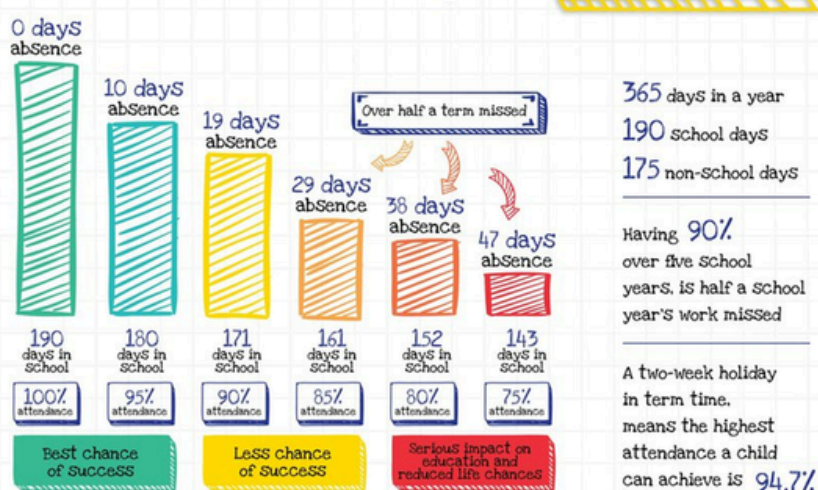
## MAKE THE BEST START

Half the pupils who miss 2-4 days in September go on to miss nearly a month of school.

## NATIONAL DATA STATES

How does school attendance affect a child's learning?

Present for their future



## WHAT WOULD WE EXPECT?

We require your child to be in school 95 to 100% of the time to fully achieve and be the best that they can be

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# OUR GUIDE FOR FAMILIES

AT ABBEY SCHOOLS, WE BELIEVE SCHOOL SHOULD BE A PLACE CHILDREN WANT TO BE, NOT JUST HAVE TO BE. TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE EVERY DAY COUNT AND CREATE JOYFUL, LIFE-CHANGING MOMENTS FOR YOUR CHILD



## WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Every day in school is a chance to:

**Build friendships and confidence.**

·Discover new passions and talents.

**·Make progress that shapes future opportunities.**

Moments Matter, Attendance Counts. Missing even a few days can mean missing out on these experiences.

## BUILD ROUTINE & CONNECTION

**Set consistent bedtimes and morning routines.**

·Prepare uniforms, bags, and lunches the night before.

**·Use school events (House Days, mascot challenges) as exciting milestones to look forward to.**

## PARTNER WITH US

·Let us know early if your child is worried or facing challenges.

Use our well being and attendance team to discuss your challenges

Together, we'll remove barriers and work together in co-production

## NEED HELP?

Contact our Attendance & Well being Team  
01709 740074

## HOW YOU CAN HELP MAKE SCHOOL UNMISSABLE

**Create a Sense of Belonging**

·Talk positively about school at home.

**·Encourage your child to share what they enjoy and celebrate their achievements.**

Remind them they are part of a caring community where they are valued

## LINK LEARNING TO REAL LIFE

**Ask about what they learned and how it connects to the world.**

Share your own experiences and interests to spark curiosity.

**Celebrate progress — every step matters.**

## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

- We use daily attendance data to spot patterns early.
- We provide personalised support for families.

We celebrate attendance and progress — because every child deserves to thrive

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