



## THE GOOD NEWS

Well done, Team Sandbrook! We are heading in the right direction! We are now getting closer to the government's minimum expectation of having a



every day counts  
ATTEND TODAY -  
ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

whole school attendance percentage of 95%. We have also reduced the number of persistently absent children (those with a percentage less than 90%) from 17 to 12. But can the families of those 12 children help us to reduce that number even further?

Our attendance passport scheme is proving to be a huge success in driving our whole school percentage higher. It is wonderful for me to see the enthusiasm that the children have when they come and get their passports stamped. Don't forget that the passport children will be ALL with a cumulative attendance 90-94% AND some children identified by me.

## THE BAD NEWS



The improvements that we have made since my first newsletter on 23.03.18 mean that all of my new initiatives are working. I know that some families are a little unhappy with the constant focus that I am placing on the attendance of their children. However, all I can say is that it is **working** and only by working together can we prove to Ofsted that families of Sandbrook primary children, **do support the school in promoting high rates of attendance.**



We will be increasing our level of challenge in September. Any family that allow their child(s) to accumulate 5 days of unauthorised holiday will receive a fixed penalty notice, per child, per parent. This is inline with the new Local Authority attendance policy.

Any family that fails to arrive at school on time for 10 or more sessions in one term will also face a fixed penalty notice.

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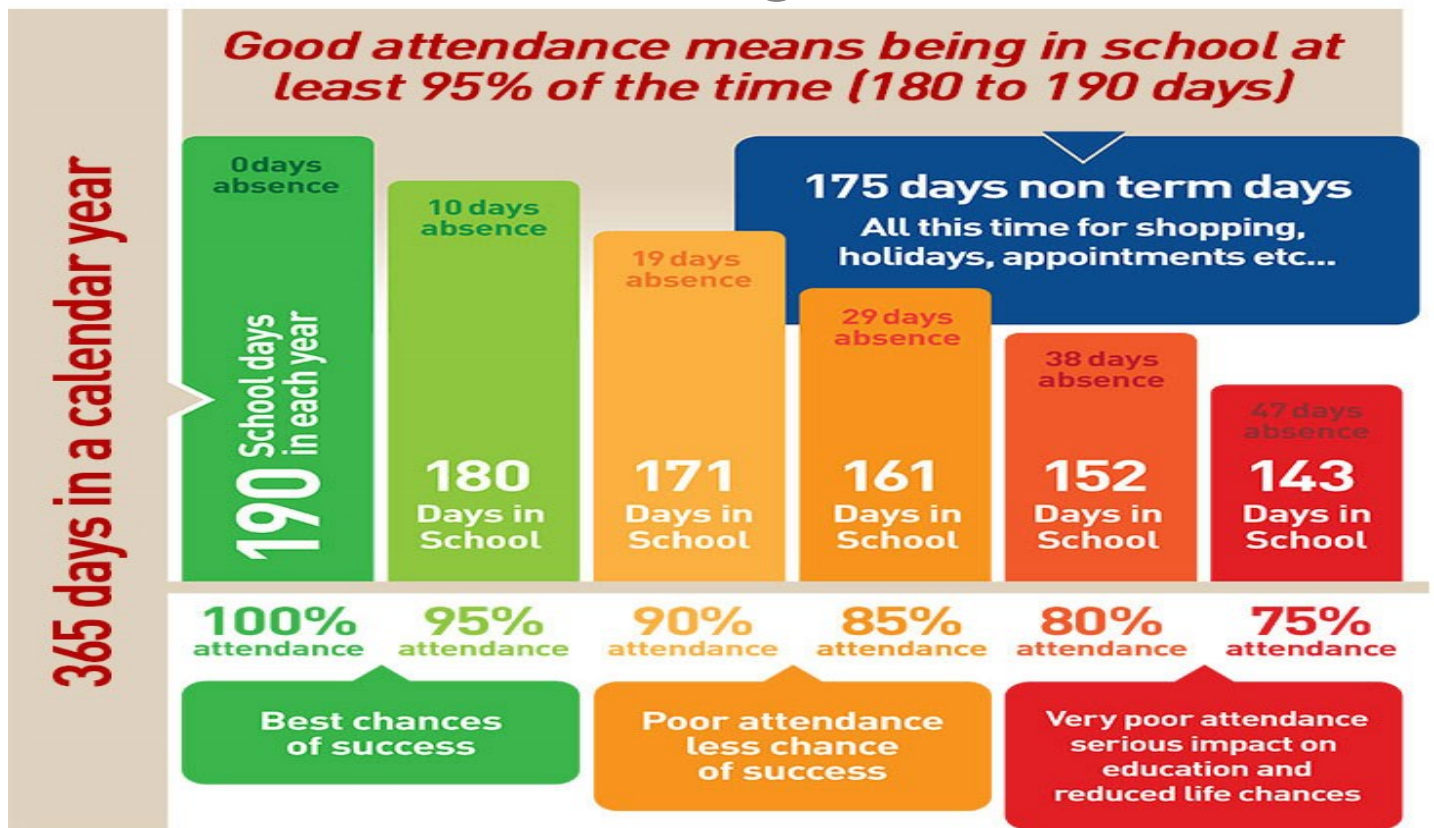
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# Next Year The Target Will Be 97%



**DID YOU KNOW?** A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is **94.7%**



**DID YOU KNOW?** If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed a full 2 weeks of school in one year?