Welcome Back

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely half-term break and enjoyed some time together. We have welcomed the children back for an exciting half-term with so much to learn, enjoy and celebrate as we head towards Christmas.

Celebrating Attendance

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring children arrive on time and ready to learn. Strong attendance is part of what makes St Andrew's a high-performing school. Each lesson builds on previous learning, helping children deepen their understanding and achieve their best. Please take a look at the information below to see how many lessons can be missed over the course of a year. It's incredibly eye opening.

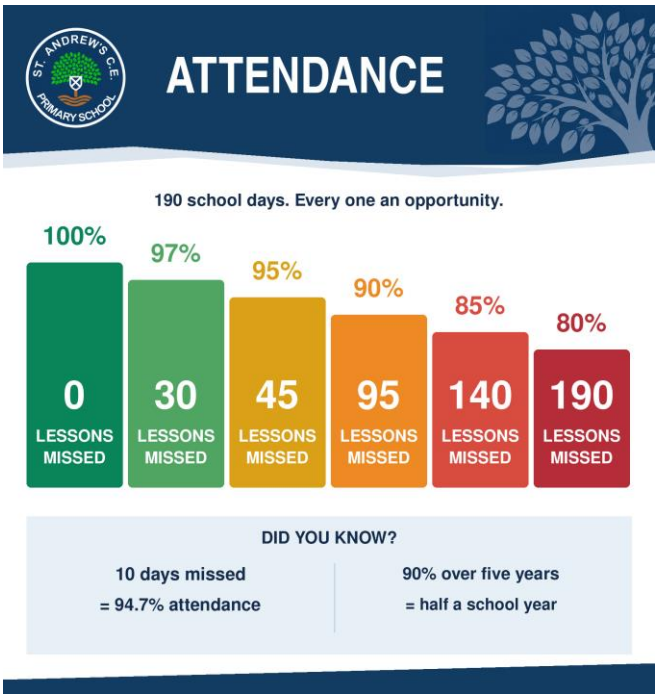
Recognition & Rewards
From this half term we will be celebrating attendance. Each week, the class with the highest attendance in EYFS, KS1 and KS2 will receive an extended playtime on Friday. Weekly wins will also count towards a special class prize at the end of term.

At the end of each term, we will celebrate children with 97% attendance and above, giving special recognition to those achieving 100%. Our Junior Leadership team will be coming up with the ideas for these rewards!

Winter Illnesses
As winter approaches, minor coughs and colds are inevitable. If your child is otherwise well and does not have a high temperature, they can usually attend school. Children with sickness or diarrhoea should remain at home for 48 hours after the last episode. Please contact the school office if you are unsure.

If your child is absent, please contact the school office before 8:55am each day. Please also remember that term-time leave can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

Thank you, as always, for your support. It's going to be a brilliant half-term together.



Class Attendance and Punctuality

Autumn Term 1

02.09.26 to 23.10.26

Year group	Teacher	Attendance %	Number of lates
Nursery	Mrs Platt	93.4%	3
Nursery	Miss Edwards	92.0%	16
Reception	Miss Silcock	96.7%	15
Reception	Miss Crowe	97.1%	4
Year 1	Miss Wallace	97.3%	22
Year 1	Miss Brownlee	96.3%	12
Year 2	Mrs Watson	97.9%	10
Year 2	Mrs Barlow-Smith	97.5%	13
Year 3	Mrs Rowlands	97.2%	20
Year 3	Mrs Whitaker	97.9&	10
Year 4	Mrs Squires	96.0%	21
Year 4	Mrs Kirkpatrick	98.0%	24
Year 5	Mrs Clay/Duncan	94.2%	26
Year 5	**Mr Cannon**	**98.3%**	19
Year 6	Mrs Rhodes	96.4%	47
Year 6	Mr Watson	97.6%	26

Congratulations to Mr Cannon's Y5 class, who achieved the highest attendance in Autumn 1.