The Government expect 97% school attendance for primary school children. Ward End Primary expect at least 97% but strive for children to have 100% attendance. We are working hard to improve school attendance. There will be badges, gifts, and attendance programmes for reception children and parental support.

**UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE**

Good Attendance has been recognized as an important factor in your child doing well at school. Mrs Rose is no longer able to authorize absences including holidays in term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. If the absence is not authorized, you could be at risk of receiving a fixed penalty fine.

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

We work together to improve our attendance.

There are only **190 school days in a year**.

We want to make sure your child makes the best progress they possibly can by attending school every day.

**LOCAL AUTHORITY**

WARD END PRIMARY SCHOOL have to report attendance on those pupils who are persistently absent from school.

It has been shown nationally that children who attend school regularly are more confident socially and achieve higher standards across all areas.

**Attendance that is worrying and of serious concern**

- **90%** = 19 days absence a year - worrying
- **85%** = 29 days absence a year - very worrying 80%
- **80%** = 38 days absence a year - serious concern 75%
- **75%** = 48 days absence a year - serious concern

Please consider the consequences for your child.

**Every School day counts but every minute is equally important**

**Did you know?**

If your child is 5 minutes late every school day that adds up to over 3 days lost each academic year.

If your child is 15 minutes late every school day that adds up to almost 2 weeks lost each academic year.