



Newsletter – Friday 22nd September 2023

It's been lovely to see so many children this week enjoying the first after-school clubs of the year. There are places still available in most of the clubs - please contact the office if you'd like to book your child onto one. If you'd like your child to attend a club, but the cost is preventing you, please let us know and we will happily see if we can offer any help with it.

Sports Events

Mrs Flack's class enjoyed an afternoon at Horizon yesterday practising multi-skills before playing kick rounders, and this afternoon our Y5/6 boys football team will be attending a town-centre event. Next week Mr Hitchen's class have been invited to take part in a 'Colour Fun Run' at Horizon on Thursday and there is a Y5/6 girls football team match at Reds in the Community. We remain as committed to sport as ever this year, and will be trying to ensure that all children take part in at least two competitive events during the year, including more inter-house competitions for all year groups.

Gulliver's Kingdom - Friday 29th September – School Fundraiser

Next Friday is our evening at Gulliver's Kingdom which hopefully you will already have read about. We have attached the letter again in case you have missed it. This should be a really fun evening for our families, and an exciting chance to experience having a theme park to ourselves, while raising money for a very worthwhile cause which would be a great addition to our school. Please support this event if you are able, the link to book tickets is included in the letter and do ask if you need any more information.

Morning Break

We have noticed quite a few children still bringing crisps, chocolate bars and even Dairy-Lea dunkers for their morning snacks this week. Morning snacks should be a healthy / breakfast bar, or fruit only. Staff will confiscate other items to be given back at home time if they are seen. If we notice children obviously hungry during the morning, we would always offer fruit to them, but please help us by providing appropriate snacks for the morning play.

Packed Lunches

Please can we also remind parents sending children with packed lunches that flasks or containers with hot food in are not allowed for health and safety reasons. If your child would like hot food during the Autumn and Winter months, school dinners can be ordered on the Gateway app in advance, or each morning in class.

School Milk

A letter was emailed out earlier in the week about our new milk supplier – Cool Milk. Please visit www.coolmilk.com to register your child if they would like to have milk. If you have any queries, please contact Cool Milk on 0800 321 3248.

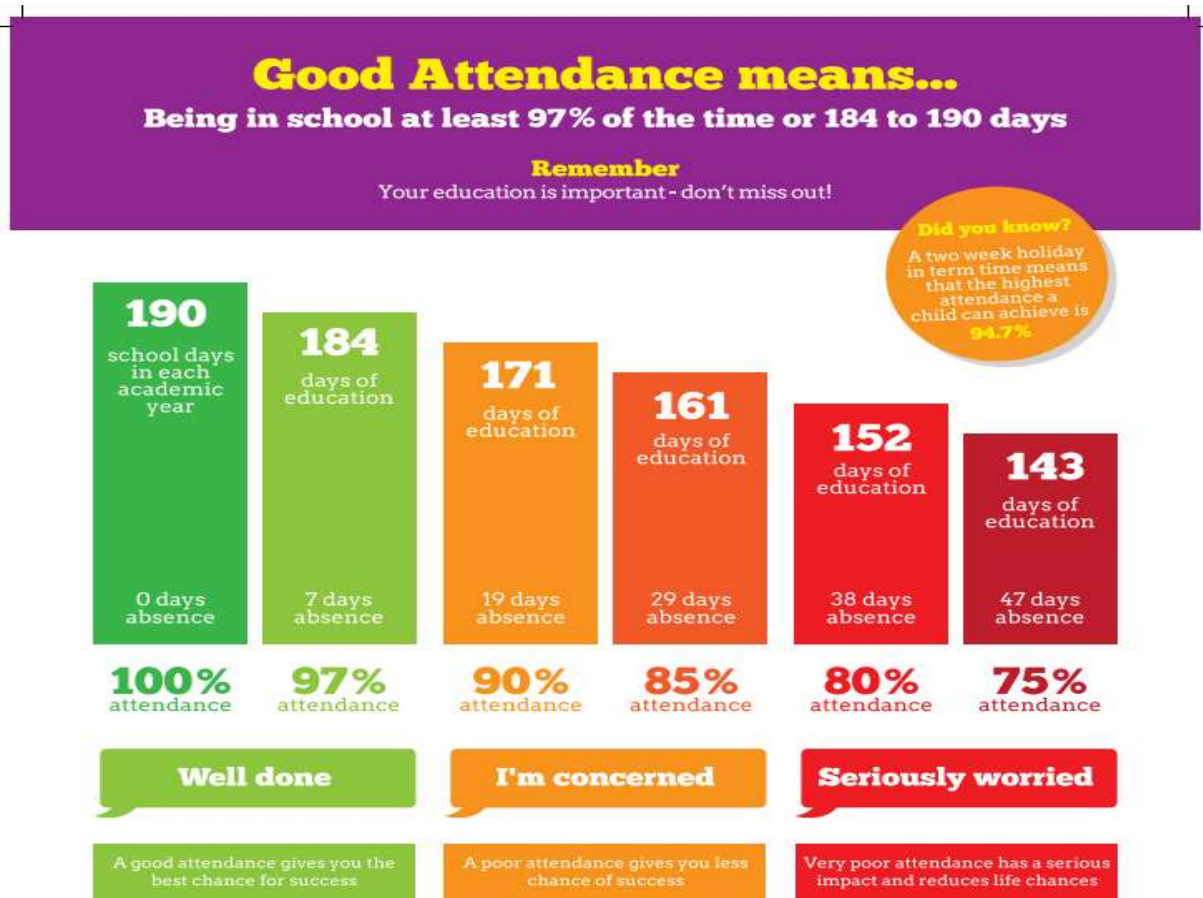
Year 5 and Year 6 - Eden Camp – 27th September

Next week Y5 and Y6 will be travelling to Eden Camp, near Malton, for their educational visit. This is always a very enjoyable day which the children remember for years to come. These visits can only happen with voluntary donations from parents, so a big thank you to everyone who was able to contribute to ensure it could go ahead. As there was only a small shortfall school will be covering this from the budget.

Flu vaccine – Reception to Year 6 – Tuesday 17th October

The Immunisation Team are in school on 17th October 2023. Please follow the link below to complete a consent form for your child and you will need to use our unique school code: **BN106564** when completing it. Please complete a form, even if your child is not having the vaccine. www.barnsleysais.co.uk/Forms/Flu

Finally, we are so pleased with attendance at the start of the school year. Last year the average National attendance for primary schools was 93.8%, and we ended the year with 93.9%. This year so far, we are on 97%, with Y6 and Y4 on 98% and 99%. As always, we will not authorise any term-time holidays, and we are working closely with the Education Welfare Service to support any children who are not attending school regularly.



As always, thanks for your continued support and if we can help in any way, please stop for a chat at the gate, call in at the front door for a chat, or contact us to make an appointment.