



Every day counts.

Being late or having unauthorised absences will impact your child's future. Pupils with the highest attainment at the end of key stage 4 have higher rates of attendance compared with those with the lowest attainment.

Regular attendance at school is a key factor in opening up more opportunities in adulthood. Good attendance helps children to make good progress in school and fulfil their potential in life.

One of the most important ways a parent can support the education of their child and the child's social, emotional and academic development is to ensure they attend every day and on time and avoid any unauthorised absences.

If you need support, please contact school using:

- Telephone number: 0191 4877638 or
- Email: info@chs.bwcet.com

Top tips to help prevent absence.

Where parents decide to have their child registered at school, they have a legal duty to ensure their child attends school regularly. This means their child must attend school every day that the school is open, except in a small number of authorised circumstances such as illness or an exceptional absence that has been approved in advance by the Headteacher.

- Ask regularly about how school is going.
- Book all holidays outside of term time.
- Book medical and dental appointments outside school hours if possible – and if not possible, ensure your child attends school before and after the appointment.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not mounting up.
- Don't let your child stay home unless genuinely sick.
- Find out if your child wants to avoid school for any reason.
- Help your child stay engaged, maintain daily routines, such as completing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Know the school's attendance policy.
- Talk to your child about how important it is to attend school.
- Work with the school to address any attendance issues.