

Role of School (Teachers, Support Staff, SLT)

- Meet and greet children daily (gate procedures and breakfast LOVE table).
- Strive to create a positive and welcoming environment where pupils feel safe, loved, motivated and engaged.
- Foster meaningful relationships with all children and families, grounded in mutual respect and understanding.
 - Recognise individual and collective achievements.
 - Implement evidence-based teaching strategies.
- Monitor daily attendance and punctuality, and report to the relevant staff members.

Role of the Pastoral Team (including SLT)

- Ensure the day-to-day implementation and management of this policy and all relevant procedures across the school.
- Ensuring all parents are aware of the school's attendance expectations and procedures.
- Take calls from parents regarding absence on a day-to-day basis and record it on the school system.
- Through these relationships with parents, identify and address any barriers they may be facing that impact attendance.

Role of Parents

- Ensure children attend school regularly and on time.
- Understand and support any worries your child may have about school. Share these with school staff.
- Commit to their child's learning by recognising and sharing the value of education
- Attend school events such as parents' evenings, taking the opportunity to develop relationships with key staff and to discuss their child's progress and ambitions.
 - Communicate effectively with the school regarding their child's attendance, this includes calling the school to report their child's absence.

Ensure that, where possible, appointments for their child are made outside of the school day.

Role of External Agencies

- Provide resources and training to school on effective strategies.
- Meet regularly with school to analyse attendance data (EWO).
 - Collaborate with schools on attendance initiatives.
- Support a comprehensive and inclusive school-wide approach that encompasses both attendance and mental health.
 - Facilitate access to informational materials for parents.
 - Offer consultation hours or a point of contact for school staff.

The system aligns with the Department for Education's (DFE) "Working Together to Improve School Attendance" guidelines. We have adapted the Inclusive Attendance tiers for St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infant School.

Tier 1

Universal Strategies



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Liaise directly with parents/carers regarding the impact that a pupil's/student's attendance is having on their progress or other aspects of school life.

- Identify patterns of poor attendance or lateness and intervene early to address any underlying issues.
- Maintain open lines of communication with parents/carers regarding attendance. They should inform parents/carers of any concerns about a child's attendance or punctuality.
 - Provide additional support to children who may be experiencing attendance challenges e.g. 'soft starts', reasonable adjustments. pre-teach opportunities.

Role of the Pastoral Team (including SLT)

- Proactively use data information to identify children who are PA risk of PA.
- Work with each identified child and families to understand and addres, the reasons for absence, including any in-school or out of school barriers to attendance. Ensure regular 'check-in' meetings.
 - Devise specific strategies to address areas of poor attendance identified through data.
- Send out any relevant attendance letters to parents, and follow this up with a phone call. Arrange meetings with parents to discuss attendance issues.
 - · Hold parent workshops regarding attendance/ punctuality.
- Meet with parents in order to provide them with more targeted and detailed support/ intervention on their child's attendance.Ensuring families receive the right support, at the right time.

Role of Parents

- Work with the school to help understand their child's barriers to attendance.
- Proactively engage with the support offered to prevent the need for more formal support. Share information with the school about factors that may impact school attendance
- Continue to communicate effectively with the school regarding absence.
- Ensure that daily routines are established at home, which support their child attending school every day on time.

Promote healthy practices and routines which support children/young reople with being ready and able to attend school, such as adequate sleep etc.

Tier 2 Individualised Strategies

Role of External Agencies

- Signpost or provide access to services.
- Where there are out of school barriers, provide each identified child and their family with access to services they need.
 - Meet regularly with school to analyse attendance data (EWO), and follow on any agreed actions.
- Join parent workshops, where possible, to ensure a joined-up approach with school.
- Provide professional development and early intervention support to the school.



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- Continue to maintain open lines of communication with parents/carers regarding attendance. They should inform parents/carers of any concerns about a child's attendance or punctuality.
 - Continue to provide additional support to children who may be experiencing attendance challenges e.g. 'soft starts', reasonable adjustments, pre-teach opportunities.

Role of the Pastoral Team (including SLT)

- Engage external support services (where appropriate).
- Take an active part in the multi-agency effort with the local authority and other external partners.
- Maintain weekly, supportive communication with targeted families
 regarding attendance and punctuality.
- Be available to meet with parents in order to provide them with more targeted and detailed support on their child's attendance.
 - Use data driven information to identify children at risk of severe absence.
- Explore alternative timetables or modified attendance arrangements, with a clear goal of returning to full attendance.
 - · Continuously assess and adapt strategies.
 - Recognise any achievements.

Role of Parents

• Continue to regularly communicate with the school.

- Attend any meetings (times and dates arranged together).
 - Take an active role in the multi-agency effort.
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 - Understand the legal consequences of not fulfilling parental responsibility with regards to attendance.

Tier 3 Higher Needs Strategies

Role of External Agencies

Offer specialised assessments and services for students with complex needs.

- Provide specialist training and consultation.
- Share the legal consequences of not fulfilling parental responsibility with regards to attendance.
- Collaborate closely with the school on creating and implementing highly specialised interventions.
- Support school leaders to evaluate the effectiveness of interventions.



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