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Attendance

Target Met								
GROUP	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	SCHOOL
2015 - 2016	94.59%	94.47%	95.20%	96.21%	97.39%	97.63%	97.24%	96.56%

THE ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 97.5%

We were disappointed that we missed our target for 2015 - 2016, but given the Chicken Pox and Sickness bugs that affected many children in the school during the year this represents an achievement. We will keep the target for this year.

WELCOME

Happy New Academic Year! We are delighted to welcome everyone back into school, especially the newest members of our family: Emily, Lily, Faith, George, Summer, Eli, Jake, Lilly and Tilly. We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Shaw who will be teaching the children in Years 3 and 4. We hope that you were all able to enjoy family time together.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

We are delighted to be starting the year as a "Good" School. We intend to use the first week to make sure that we establish learning behaviour, classroom routines and ensure that children are working at a level with the right amount of challenge. This can take a few days following a longer holiday. For example, it is our aim for individual reading books to be sent home as soon as possible but this may take a few days. Please do not panic if one does not appear in the book bag until the end of the week.

NAME LABELS IN CLOTHING

We are aware of the cost of uniform and it can be really difficult to find the right owners of clothing that is so similar. Please make sure that all clothing is named. In the short term there is usually a label that you can write a name onto, or more permanently, there are a number of companies who provide iron on or sew in labels. When 20 children all take off a sweatshirt to change for PE you can imagine how challenging it can be to return the clothing to the rightful owner if they are not named.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

We have a booking with Wrates School Photographers for **Tuesday 13 September 2016** in the afternoon. We will photograph the children in school first and then we will invite younger siblings to come into school for a family photograph if parents so wish. It is difficult to give an exact time as every year is different, but it is usually about 2.30 pm – we can send a text to update everyone on the day. This year, the photographer has agreed to stay on after school so that any older siblings and/or parents could be included in a family photograph. Please contact Mrs Ecob if you are interested in either family portrait so that we can be sure to let you know what is happening.

SCHOOL CLUBS

There will be no after school clubs week. We would recommend that children starting school this year do not attend clubs for the first term as the school day is often long enough when you are four. However, we will review participation in after school clubs on an individual basis at the start of term 2.